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LOT No. 2.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 29th July, 1898, at 4 p.m.

All that piece of Government land, together with the messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate, lying and being without the Fort of Bombay, fronting on the west side of a public road called Chambarwada, or Israel Moholla Cross Road, or Khaduck Street, in the Registration sub-district of Bombay, formerly as well as now in the occupation of the said Hajee Kalphan Ruttonsey and his tenants, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under B Ward, No. 1744 and Street Nos. 30 and 32, containing by admeasurement two hundred and fifty-nine and eight-ninths square yards or thereabouts, registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under old Nos. 1015 and 1015, and new Survey No. 2884, and bounded on the east by the said public road Chambarwada, or Israel Moholla Cross Road, or Khaduck Street, on the west partly by the house of Hurji Ananjee and partly by the house of Bandoojee Eloojee, on the north by the property of Haine Samuel, and on the south partly by the property of the said Bandoojee Eloojee and partly by the property of Mowjee Hurjee.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to Messrs. Tyabjee, Dayabhai, Pakvasa and Chandulal, Solicitors, High Court, or to the undersigned.

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TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 30th inst, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Mount Pleasant Road, Malabar Hill (where the kit is removed for sale), the surplus furniture of Mr. Cowasjee M. Barajee, consisting of mahogany marble top cabinet with mirror back, mahogany marble top sideboard, cloths and gown presses, chairs, tables, bedsteads, a large telescope on stand by "Troughton and Simpson," hanging, table, and wall kerosine lamps, crockeryware, glassware, first-rate pictures and oleographs, rich table ornaments, China and Japanese vases, one cushion tyre bicycle (gentleman's), a handsome strong glass-fronted Calcutta-made miniature brougham in good order, sets of single harness, &c., &c.

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PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamer North Sands entered the dock on Wednesday, and the steamers Safari, Booldana and Wardha yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamer Vulcan entered, and the steamer Gisela left the dock on Wednesday, and the steamer Indus left it yesterday.

MUSIC AT THE ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL.—The Band of the 21st Bombay Infantry will play the following Programme of Music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine Band Master, commencing at 5 p.m. (Weather Permitting.) :—

March .....Old Berlin.....Von Blon
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Valse.....Etincelles .....Waldteufel
Selection (No 2) .....Nabucco .....Verdi
Polka Francaise ....Tanz Parole .....Fetras

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

MILL-HAND STRIKE.—About thirty operators of the E. D. Sassoon Mill struck work on Tuesday afternoon in consequence of daily wages having been stopped and the monthly wages system resumed. About fifty operators of the Kaiser-i-Hind Mill went on strike on the following day for the same reason.

ENGLISH LECTURE.—At a meeting of the Bal Vidyadyana Sabha, to be held in the late Mr. B. M. Wagle's bungalow, Kandewadi, on Sunday, at 3 p.m., Mr. G. K. Kantak will deliver a lecture in English on "The outbreak and effects of Plague." The lecture is open to the public.

LAD NIRASHRIT FUND.—The trustees of this fund acknowledge with thanks the sum of rupees fifteen hundred in five per cent. Municipal debentures, being a second donation to this fund from the estate of Mr. Narotumdas Bappoobhai Morlidhurdas, deceased, by his sole executor Mr. Tribhovundas Vurjeevandas Madhowdas.

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SERIOUSLY INJURED BY A FALL.—Ismailbeg Mirza Abrahimbeg, a Mahomedan lad, aged ten years, residing with his parents on the third floor of a house at Gheiabhoy Street, was, on Wednesday afternoon, leaning out of a window, when he accidentally over balanced himself and fell out on to the road from a height of about twenty-five feet, sustaining a severe shock and injuries to his body. The boy was conveyed to the J. J. Hospital, where he is now being treated.

PARTIAL COLLAPSE OF A HOUSE.—A portion of the south wall, admeasuring thirty feet by twenty, of a five-storeyed house, belonging to Haji Oosman Dawood, at Nagdavi Street, gave way on Wednesday. The building is a very old one and was about to have been pulled down. The house was occupied by a number of tenants, none of whom were injured. The municipal authorities were informed. An officer of the engineering department inspected the building and directed the tenants to vacate, which they did at once.

BURGLARY AT NORTHBROOK STREET.—Haji Badoola Jamal, a Mahomedan, residing in a room on the first floor of a house at Northbrook Street, reported to the police, on Wednesday night, that some time during his absence from home some person or persons broke into his room, an entrance having been effected through a window, which had been left open, at the back of the room, and stole from a box, which was apparently opened by means of a duplicate key, four currency notes for Rs. 10 each and gold and silver ornaments of the aggregate value of Rs. 174.

FIRE.—A cadjan hut, situated in the compound of the bungalow belonging to Mr. Khojesta Cursetji Seervai in Dhunji Street, was found to be on fire on Wednesday, and the flimsy structure was soon razed to the ground. The hut was in the occupation of a Purdesee named Kadari Matadin, who had gone to sleep on the verandah of his master's bungalow, leaving a burning karosine oil lamp in the hut and locking the door after him. It is supposed that the lamp, which had been hanging against the wall of the hut, set the structure on fire. The damage was estimated at Rs. 40.

ELEVATION OF A PARSEE VOLUNTEER.—It appears from the regimental orders of the S. V. R. Corps that Mr. E. H. J. Rustomji is appointed to be 2nd Lieutenant in the Sind Volunteer Rifle Corp, and the appointment was announced in the last issue of the Bombay Government Gazette. Mr. Byramji is a son of Mr. H. J. Rustamji, the well known and enterprising merchant of Karachi and Bombay, and belongs to a most respectable family. The Parsees are to be congratulated on the elevation to the rank of an officer of another member of their community, Mr. B. H. J. Rustamji has made himself very popular in the corps in a short time.

THEFT OF A COW.—At the Mazagon Police Court yesterday, Inspector Hurst charged Shekoo Pandoo, a Hindu, before Mr. S. B. Spencer, acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate with stealing a cow valued at Rs. 20, belonging to Gokul Anand, a worshipper in a temple at Walkeshwar. The cow used to be tied up in the temple, and was found missing on Tuesday evening last. About an hour after the accused was seen leading the cow along the Government House Road, when a policeman arrested him on suspicion. The accused made a statement and took the sepoy to the temple, where the animal was identified by complainant as his own. The accused denied the charge but called no evidence to prove his innocence. His Worship sentenced accused to a day's imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 30, or in default to suffer one month's rigorous imprisonment.

THEFT FROM THE SALVATION ARMY.—Before Mr. S. B. Spencer, acting Fourth Presidency Magistrate, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Inspector Framji Bhicaji, of the Criminal Investigation Department, prosecuted one Pascol Mangueia, a Goanese, employed as a servant in the Salvation Army quarters at Dadar and Alimahomed Moosa, a Mahomedan, charging the former with theft as a servant of a brass chandelier, valued at Rs. 10, the property of the Salvation Army, and the latter with receiving and assisting in disposing of the stolen property. About 9 o'clock on Tuesday night, the second accused was attempting to dispose of the chandelier in the Chore Bazaar, when a policeman on duty arrested him on suspicion. The accused made a statement which led to the arrest of the first accused. Both the accused were then taken to the church with the property, where the manager identified it as belonging to the place. Pascol pleaded guilty to the charge, but the second accused denied the offence, but he called no witnesses to prove his innocence. No. 1 was sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment and No. 2 to pay a fine of Rs. 20, with an alternative of fifteen days' imprisonment with hard labour.

KIDNAPPING A YOUNG GIRL.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, acting Third Presidency Magistrate, Ibahibux and Jan Mahomed were charged by Inspector Gannon with kidnapping, on May 20, a girl, named Ratanbai, aged 12 years, daughter of an oilseller. Superintendent Hack prosecuted. It appeared from the inquiries made by the police that the girl lived in Bhandari Street, Duncan Road, and she was sent by her mother to buy some spices. While she was making the purchase the first accused met her and took her to his house. A report of her disappearance was made to Inspector Gannon, of the Null Bazar section, who ascertained that the girl had left with Jan Mahomed for Delhi from the Byculla railway station. Prior to their leaving Bombay, Rutton was taken to the house of a woman named Sakina, in Pirkhan Lane, and her garments of a teli girl, very much resembling that of a Bania girl, were changed for tight trowsers and other clothes belonging to a Hindustani girl. As neither Rutton nor Jan Mahomed could be found the police, who had arrested and charged Kadabux before Mr. Dastur, applied for several remands, and ultimately had the man discharged. Descriptive rolls of both the absentees were, however, circulated by the Bombay police, to Delhi and other places, with the aid of which the Delhi police succeeded in finding them out. They were sent down to Bombay under an escort. The girl stated to the police that she was grossly maltreated by the old man. The magistrate convicted both the accused, and sentenced the first accused to two years' and the second to sixteen months' rigorous imprisonment.

ANOTHER TRAMWAY PROSECUTION DISMISSED.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Mr. Shapurji Ruttonji Sethna, shroff of the National Bank, appeared before Mr. P. H. Dastur, acting Third Presidency Magistrate, to answer a charge of attempting to use a transfer ticket preferred against him by the Bombay Tramway Company. Mr. Harrington, of the Tramway Company, prosecuted; while the accused was defended by Mr. Kolah, barrister-at-law. It appeared that Mr. Sethna, together with his wife, son and brother, was travelling from Victoria Gardens towards the Secretariat at about 8 o'clock on the night of the 6th instant. They took two-anna tickets and got into a yellow car. When they came to Pydhownee they left the car and got into a red car, which was going to Secretariat. It was stated on behalf of the Tramway Company that Pydhownee was an appointed place of change, but the accused should have either proceeded by the lavendar car from that place or remained in the yellow car and changed at Bori Bunder. A tramway conductor, who gave evidence in the case, however, said that the red car was the first car available after the yellow car. Mr. Kolah argued that under bye-law 3 of the company, which was framed under section 24 of Act I of 1874, the public had a right to leave the car and transfer at the first appointed place of change. It was admitted on behalf of the prosecution that Pydhownee was an appointed place of change. The magistrate, in disposing of the case, remarked that it was not denied that the defendant had got down at Pydhownee and got into a red car. He had a transfer ticket, and the red car was the first car which left Pydhownee after the yellow car in which defendant was going. If so, there had been no infringement of the bye-law, and the court failed to understand why a respectable man had been dragged to this court such a trumpery charge.

DAMAUN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

A CAUSE CELEBRE.

ON Monday last, writes our local correspondent, the District Court of Damaun was crowded to the ceiling, all the Advocates, Doctors, some Military Officers and numerous witnesses being present, when the Judge Mr. Albertino Ozario de Castro, LL. B., (Coimbra) presiding at the Criminal Sessions, took his seat on the Bench at 11. The case specially fixed for trial was that of the Crown vs. (1) Claudino Manuel de Souza, (2) Manuel Sebastiano Vas, (3) Emiliano Mendouca (4) F. A. Bastos, (5) Sergeant Licano, (6) Domingos and (7) Bhana Nicha Mori. The 1st and 3rd are Forest-guards, the 4th and 6th are Forest sepoys, the 5th is Sergeant on Forest duty, the 2nd is an Advocate and the 7th is the ex-Patel of 72 Portuguese villages. The accused were charged with theft and abetment of theft of timber from the jungles of Nagar Haveli of the value of Rs. 82,000.

The circumstances under which the charge is brought are as follows :—Sometime ago one Hurgovan Premanand obtained from Government on the surety of Bhana Nicha Mori a contract to cut certain timber specified in the contract from a jungle in Nagar Haveli District. The contract was subsequently assigned to Mr. Manoel Sebastiano Vas, the Advocate. It is alleged, that Mr. Vas with the assistance or connivance of the accused, all of whom, except Bhana Nicha Mori, are forest officers, cut an immense quantity of teak timber, iron wood etc., beyond that contemplated to be cut by the contract and sold the same and appropriated the proceeds thereof to his own use.

The charge was instituted in the beginning of 1894, but owing to the peculiarities of the Portuguese Criminal Law which requires after a prima facie is made against each of the accused, to join other charges that may be standing against him, so that he be tried once only on all the charges against him, the case was not ripe for hearing before the middle of the year 1896, all the accused being liberated on heavy bail. Mr. Veiga was then the District Judge of Damaun and while he was about to fix the case for trial, Mr. Vas filed a petition of suspicion against the Judge urging that the judge had expressed his prejudice against him and had disqualified himself from trying the case. The petition was heard before the Assistant Judge Mr. Francis Moniz and two Arbitrators, Mr. Vas appearing personally in support of the petition, while Mr. Franklin de Souza, Barrister-at-Law, who had special comes from Goa, represented the judge. Several witnesses were examined and by the opinion of the majority the petition was dismissed. Mr. Vas thereupon appealed against this order to the High Court at Goa, in the mean time Mr. Veiga having obtained leave and subsequently been transferred to Goa, it became unnecessary to proceed with Mr. Vas' appeal. The present Judge and the Crown Advocate took up the arduous task of unravelling the tangled skein and went over the voluminous papers which are said to contain 2,000 different proceedings and when form a bundle of papers four feet high, and about a month ago fixed the 25th instant for the trial of the case and summoned the witnesses in number 90 for prosecution and 50 for defence from distant parts of Nagar Haveli to attend at the hearing. Most of the witnesses came from Nagar Haveli and arrived at Upper Damaun on Sunday and were strictly prevented from having intercourse with witnesses who came from Lower Damaun. When the case was called on for hearing all the accused except Bhana Nicha Mori were present and were accommodated on a "bench" which is equivalent to the dock of a British Court. Mr. John Vidal, the Crown Advocate, appeared for the prosecution and Mr. Diogo De Britto an advocate represented all the accused.

On the Judge taking his seat, Mr. Vidal applied to the Court for a short postponement to procure the attendance of a few witnesses who were absent.

Mr. Britto applied for a postponement of the case until the end of October next on the grounds of a certificate under the signature of "Narayan Raghunath Satpati L. M. and S., formerly practising for many years in Damaun, and another Doctor stating that the accused Bhana Nicha Mori was suffering in Bombay from accute hepatitis, and also on the grounds that two Crown clerks, Mr. Lobo and Mr. Noronha, who were important witnesses, were absent. In support of his application, British cordon and quarantine were relied on as presenting obstacles in the way of the attendance of parties concerned in the case.

Mr. Vidal strongly opposed any application for a long postponement, stating that the certificate could not be accepted in law inasmuch as the accused Bhana Patel who was on bail could not leave the jurisdiction of the Court and go to Bombay as long as the charge is hanging on his head. His surety Mr. Victorino Augusto Cezar de Mello had also left the jurisdiction of the Court. As to the Crown clerks, it was well known that they had left for Goa two months ago and if the defence considered their evidence important they ought to have obtained it by issuing a commission to Goa. He also urged that the cordon and quarantine were no valid excuses for deferring the trial. The learned Judge before calling the applications wished to examine Surgeon-Major Pegado, who was present in court and called upon him to enter the witness-box. Surgeon-Major Pegado objected to go in the witness-box as he was a military officer and could not be called as a witness until his commanding officer had been written to for it by the Judge.

The Judge stated that it was true that Dr. Pegado was in his military uniform, but the question was whether he was on military duty or come to witness a judicial spectacle in the capacity of a private gentleman. The judge then cited military law in support of his ruling that Dr. Pegado attending as a private gentleman was bound to obey the order of Court to give evidence under penalty of being proceeded for contempt.

Dr. Pegado consented to give his evidence and being asked by the judge to read the medical certificate and state his opinion as to what rime Bhana Nicha was likely to take to recover from his sickness, stated that the patient may recover from hepatitis in a fortnight, but if the sickness became chronic it might take three months to recover apart from some time of convalescence. The Judge then made an order fixing peremptorily the 10th proximo for the trial of the case which would proceed even in the absence of Bhana Patel, who in that event would be tried separately on a subsequent date. It is rumoured that an "agravo" (appeal) is intended to be filed against this order of the judge, but it is said that such an "agravo" would not prevent the case from being proceeded with on the 10th August.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

THURSDAY EVENING, JULY 28.

THERE were Rs. 6,80,000 of Indian Council Bills allotted to Calcutta yesterday in London, Rs 16,70,000 to Bombay, and Rs. 50,000 to Madras, at 1s. 3 7-8d., at which the tenders were accepted to the extent of 44 per cent. One lakh of Telegraphic Transfers were allotted to Calcutta at 1s. 3 15-16d., whereat the tenders were given full acceptance. Extra allotments of Bills were made, amounting to Rs. 1,70,000 on Bombay, and Rs. 10,000 on Calcutta, at 1s. 3 29-32d. It was announced that Rs. 34,60,000 will be allotted next week. Exchange on India at 30 days' sight was unaltered at 1s. 3 5-8d.

Consols declined 1-4 per cent. yesterday, to 111. French Rentes were 1-4 per cent. higher, at 103 1-4; and Paris Exchange on London advanced 1 centime, to 25·22 1-2 fcs. Indian Sterling Loan was 1-2 per cent. lower, at 113 1-2; but 3 1-2 per cent. Rupee Securities were 1-8 per cent. higher, at £63 1-8. Discount on Short London Bills at 3 months' sight was quoted at 1 1-2 per cent. and on 6 months' sight Indian Bank Bills, at 2 1-4 per cent. Bar Silver was 3-8d. less in value, at 27 1-8d. per oz.; and in New York the metal was unchanged at 59 cents per oz., while demand Exchange on London was 1-4 cent higher, at 4·85 dollars.

For Guzerat Yellow Rapeseed 38 1-2s. per 416lbs was quoted, July-August shipment, to Havre, buyers via the Canal, market firm; and for Cawnpore Yellow Rapeseed, 37 1-8s. per 416lbs., July-August shipment, to Antwerp, business done via the Camal, tone of the market firm.

Spot Mid.-Americans Cotton was 1-32d. higher in Liverpool yesterday, at 3 7-16d. per lb.; and American Arrivals advanced to the same extent in all positions, extreme quotations being 3 23-64d. and 3 19-64d. per lb. for July and November-December deliveries, respectively. The day's Sales were 10,000 bales, and the Imports 2,000 bales. The market closed firm, Surats dull, Arrivals firm. The Manchester market was steady.

In New York Ready Mid.-Uplands remained at 6 1-16 cents. per lb.; September Futures were 10 points higher, at 5·88 cents, and December 8 points, at 5·99 cents. per lb. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 2,000 bales, and the arrivals to date compare as follows with those in 1897 and 1896:—

	1898.	1897.	1896.
Wednesday's Receipts ...	2,000	500	700
Four days do.	4,000	2,100	4,400
Since 1st September 8,474,000		6,605,100	5,164,700

Locally, the Cotton market has continued quiet in tone to-day. Exporters have taken nothing while the mills here bought 1,600 bales consisting chiefly of Khangaum, Broach, Barsi, and Akola. Prices have advanced Rs. 2 per candy.

To-day's telegrams from the Cotton-growing districts report that a break in the fall of rain was needed at Broach; where the weather gave indications of clearing up. At Barsi a very fair improvement was noticeable in the cotton crop prospects; while the Cotton sowing at Beawar was making good progress. Hubli, like Broach as well as Jalgaum, needed a break; but the drought continued at Bellary, where the food-grains sowing was backward.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay, yesterday, were as follows:—

Cotton	1,120	bales
Wheat	1,905	cwts.
Linseed	5,021	"
Rapeseed	11,560	"
Gingellyseed	986	"
Poppyseed	3,225	"
Rice	3,348	"

FREIGHTS continue quiet. Lines for early August shipment have been done at 17s. to 17s. 6d.; sellers ask 17s. to 17s. 6d. for September.

EXCHANGE.—Rates opened this morning at 1s. 3 27-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3 31-32d. for three months' sight Credits. Legitimate business was small, but the Bazaar came out as buyers, rates fell away 1-32d. all round, and the market closed quiet but steady as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand ...1s. 3 13-16d.	per Rupee.	
Do. Telegraphic .....1s. 3 25-32d. to 13-16d.	"	
Credits 3 months' sight...1s. 3 15-16d.	"	
Francs 197 1-2	"	

MONEY.—The Bank of Bombay rate was reduced one per cent. to-day, the minimum now being 4 per cent.

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—Rates have advanced to 96 1-16 for Money, for 3 1-2 per Cents, and 95 7-8 for Account; Throes have remained at 86.

SHARES.—Jewraj Baloo Mill are Rs. 25 higher, and Manockjee Petit Rs. 15; Luckmidas are Rs. 10 lower, Khatao Makunjee and Swadeshi Rs. 5 each.

HIGH COURT.—JULY 29.

Before the Hon'ble the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice E. TAMBJEE.

Appeals for hearing and final disposal.

970—Re Meherally Mohomed Chinai Insolvent—Payne G and S—Meherali Mohomed Chinai vs Khetsidas Lackmi-narayen and others—Hiralal M and M—Part heard

971-203-95—In person—Uttamram Ichharam Rangildas Tribhowandas Smetham B and Nob e

972-330-63—Hiralal M and M—Surajmal Ramsukhdas and others vs Purshotamlal Gopinath and others Wadia and G

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice CANDY.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Postponed Long Causes.

653-97—Tyabjee D and Co—The Hon'ble Basil Lang vs Moolje Kunsonjee—Sorabjee and J

676-97—Mirza H—Khan Goolam Mohomed Shaik Bulland vs Hajee Noor Mohomed Hajee Mezoolas—Payne G and S

511-98—Edgelow and G—Ganpat Gowroba and others vs Ramchunder Keroba and others—Crawford B and Co

672-97—Nanu and H—Hormasjee Rustomjee Oomrigar vs Adarjee Cursetjee Panthaky

633-97—C Brown and Co—Fatmabai vs Andre Luis De Lima—Bhaishanker and K

520 96—In person—Variel Valli vs Jadhowjee Gopaljee—Bhaishanker and K

427-94—Thakurdas D and C—Ibrahimbhoy Ludhabhoy Chattoo vs Shaik Kasa bin Khalifa—Framji and D

247 and 7319-97—Mansuklal D and J—Dhuramsey Soondardas and others vs Ahmedbhoy Habibbhoy—M N Sacklatwalla

182-97—Mulji and R—Dewkabai vs Khimji Rattonsey—Madhowjee V

183-97—Madhowjee V—Khimji Ratonsey vs Dewkabai and another—Mulji and R

635-96—Bhaishanker and K—Seskurun Pamirmal vs Mohokumchond Ruttonchand and others—Ardesir H and D

141-97—Tyabjee D and Co—Chidghanandud Raghwanand Swami vs Heerjee Lowjee and others—Payne G and S

628-97—Captain and Y—Shaik Abdulla Shaik Ismail vs Mohomedali Amiraly—Shamrao P.

652-97—Shamroo P—Bai Jadaw and another vs Hargovandas Pranjeovandas and others—Ardesir H and D

666-97—Edgelow and G—John Musgraves and Sons Ld and others vs the Khatau Makanjee Spinning and Wg Co Ld—Craigie L and O

52-97—Hiralal M and M—Waljee Mathuradas vs The Municipal Commissioner for the city of Bombay—Crowford B and Co

310-97—Imperson Mohomed Ismail Alias Abbabhi Bowa Saheb Bhisiny vs Khoja Vishram Allana—HiralalM and M

296-97—Muljee and R—Gordhundas Khattau and others vs Bunchordas Gocouldas and others—Bicknell M and M

305-91—Crawford B and Co—Rampartab Manalal and others vs Goverdhundas Balmakund and others—Tyabjee D and Co

Before the Hon Mr Justice STRACHEY.

Summary suit to be heard in Chambers

238-98 Framjee and D—Saleh Mahomed vs Tullockchand (941) Goverdhan D

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

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450-25768-96—Crawford B and Co (for pauper)—Henry Langford vs Hajee Cassum Joosub—Smetham B and N.

451-25769-96—Crawford B and Co (for pauper)—Edward Alfred King vs Hajee Cassum Joosub—Smetham B and N.

137-81—Crawford B and Co—The Steam Ship Kasala Co Ld vs Steam Dewcurn Nanjee—Roughton and B

In the matter of the Indian Companies Act VI of 1882 and in the matter of the English Press and M Co Limited and Reduced—Wadia and G—The English Press and M Co Limited, Petitioners.

208-95—Roughton and B—The Fabrish Senitode Biachi Colonl vs Jugmohundas Vundrawandas and others—Little and Co

Testamentary Suits.

13-95—Pestonji R and K, and Bhaishanker and K—Hajrabai widow and others vs Tyab Hajee Essa—Framjee M and M

2-96—Bhaishanker and K—Shivshanker Ramshanker vs Ramshanker Atumram—M N Sacklatwalla

22-97—Matubai and J—Bhowanishanker Kuttonji and others vs Ramdas Thackersey and others—Payne G and S

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m., of the 28th July, 1898.

[Difference in Longitude allowed for.]

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes
Turkey	27	1	9 p.m.	6	12
Teheran	28	2	33 p.m.	...	25
Suez	28	2	45 p.m.	...	5

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay during the 24 hours ending 8 p.m., of the 28th July, 1898.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta	..	57	...	2
" Karachi	..	40	...	2
" Madras	..	18	...	1

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BYRNE—July 16, at Daputa, Tezpore, the wife of O A Byrne of a son.

ORR—July 24, at Gourepore, Naihati, the wife of C R Orr, of a daughter, (prematurely), still-born.

REYNOLDS—July 23, at Bangalore, the wife of Captain A R Reynolds, R E, of a son.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

*** ALL communications intended for publication in our columns, should be addressed to the Editor and not to any individual member of the staff.

The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, JULY 29, 1898.

IT is to be regretted that owing to the leave on medical certificate which Mr. Nugent commences this week, he will not be able to lay before the Legislative Council at its forthcoming meeting at Poona the Budget statement which it is understood he has prepared, or to enliven the debate with his quaint and genial humour. His place is to be taken by Mr. H. E. M. James, the Commissioner in Sind, who from no fault of the Local Government, will have anything but a pleasant tale to tell. In the now famous debate at Simla on the Tirah Campaign, Mr. Thoburn bluntly declared that money was found for these endless frontier wars by "starving the civil departments." That there was considerable point in the criticism is shown by the tendency apparent at Simla just now to keep a close, not to say suspicious watch upon the finances of the provincial administrations, and to turn a deaf ear to applications for sanction to really needful expenditure. During the first year of its currency certain items in the new Provincial Contracts affected by the Famine were held over, but since April 1st they have been included in the terms which will guide the financial relations between the Supreme and local Governments until the close of 1901-02. The very limited resources of the Bombay Government made it impossible for them to meet any but a very small part of the Famine charges. They have only been able to pay about two and a half lakhs out of a total expenditure on this account of more than one and a quarter crores of rupees. The famine caused heavy losses of revenue side by side with an enormous enhancement of expenditure, and the position of the Bombay Government in being unable to pay the bill was not in any sense exceptional. Other Provinces have been in the same state of dependence upon the charity of the Supreme Government, which by virtue of its borrowing powers has almost unlimited resources at command in periods of difficulty. But Bombay was worse off than the other Provinces in this respect—that it alone was suffering from another calamity, having the same effect of increasing expenditure and diminishing receipts. The plague lead to a dimunition of the stamp and other revenues owing to temporary dislocation of business at the large centres, and it caused an increase of medical charges amounting to about nineteen lakhs of rupees last year, while in the current year the outlay is estimated at about seven lakhs. Towards these two sums the Supreme Government have contributed about sixteen lakhs leaving ten lakhs to be provided for from Provincial funds. Altogether therefore the Imperial revenues have contributed about 140 lakhs of the expenditure incurred in this Presidency in connection with the two-fold calamities by which we have been beset. Heavy as the "benevolences" granted were they were considerably smaller than those obtained by the Central Provinces and the North-West Provinces on account of famine expenditure. They were made in accordance with the declared financial policy of the country, which imposes upon the Supreme Government the obligation to bear such portions of the expenditure of the local administrations on famine relief or other extraordinary and unavoidable outlay which they cannot themselves discharge.

This was the position of the Bombay Government, and it will be seen when the accounts are published that the subventions from the Imperial exchequer have not exceeded by a single rupee the amount of help needful to save the local administration from temporary bankruptcy. In fact the Government of India did not keep to the undertaking it had given to pay such share of this special expenditure as would leave the Bombay Government a working balance of ten lakhs. The safe minimum balance for this Presidency is fixed at twenty lakhs of rupees, under the terms of successive contracts, and before the late troubles came the Bombay Government had built up a balance of 40 lakhs. But this has been swept away, and the sum of five lakhs with which according to the last Budget statement the accounts were to open during the current year has entirely disappeared. The revised estimates for last year show that on April 1st last the Treasury for the first time for twenty years was empty, there being no balance in hand. But the Imperial Government in their anxiety to show to the world the recuperative power of Indian revenue and to prove that no help was needed from England, have refused to render any help in the task of building up the Provincial reserve to the minimum sum of twenty lakhs. The local Government has been told that it must accomplish this most difficult task by the enforcement of the most rigid economy and by recovering from Local Funds the sums due from them on account of famine grants. Such orders are much more easily given than carried out. After two years of plague and famine the Local Funds are in anything but a flourishing condition, and it is believed that in the current year the recoveries will only be sufficient to permit of a closing provincial balance of about three-quarters of a lakh. The demand for strict economy is to be met, as it has been met so often by wholesale curtailment of the Public Works grant, and by turning a deaf ear to all projects, no matter how pressing the need for them may be, for improvements in any department of administration requiring increased outlay. Existing expenditure on the moral, educational and material progress of the Presidency must not be enhanced, and therefore the most that can be done for some years to come will be to mark time. It may be possible to effect a few direct economies here and there without loss of efficiency, but the aggregate saving therefrom will be too small to enable any increased grants to be made for educational or other progressive purposes. The fiat has gone forth that Provincial expenditure must somehow or other be restricted within the limits of the ordinary revenue, and this although the fight with plague is not yet over. For any non-official member of the Legislative Council to plead in the Budget debate for funds for this or that institution, under such circumstances will be absolutely useless. New grants cannot be thought of until the minimum balance of twenty lakhs is again built up.

The picture to be presented when the local Budget is published, thus differs very widely from that which Sir James Westland unfolded in the Imperial Budget statement last March, and which was repeated with the addition of still further optimistic touches by Lord George Hamilton in the House of Commons early in June. Sir James spoke of being able "with our own resources to rise from our accumulated misfortunes of last year to new energy and new prosperity." Are there any signs of this in the starvation policy imposed upon the Bombay Government in common with other provincial administrations? He declared there was every prospect of wiping out during the year the evil financial effects of the calamities of 1897. The estimates went to show that this feat would be accomplished, but the figures were only obtained on the somewhat perilous assumption that the year would be one of full agricultural prosperity—an assumption the fulfilment of which cannot even now be predicated with any great degree of certainty. It is clear from the facts we have given that the official belief that the feat would be accomplished was also based—though of this nothing was said—upon the intention to keep the local Governments at the lowest possible point, in the matter of funds, consistent with their solvency, and too low to admit of educational or material advancement. Mr. Thoburn's direct connection with the finances of the Punjab made him familiar with the policy being pursued in order that the Government of India might show a favourable balance sheet. Hence there can be little wonder that in the presence of the Viceroy and most of his Councillors, the Financial Commissioner of the Punjab should speak in terms of glowing indignation against "the starvation of the civil administration" in order to find the means for frontier wars. When the Budget statement set forth that during the current year the country would be able to pay its way, without extra taxation, it should at least have been admitted that the provincial administrations were only to be allowed sufficient grants to keep their heads above water, provided no new expenditure was incurred. But can an Empire really be said to be paying its way, when its administrators are so straightened in their resources as to be unable to meet pressing claims for educational, building, and other purposes? In a country where the population is annually increasing, non-progression in the mental, moral and material condition of the people, such as must arise from the existing financial relations between the Supreme and the Local Governments, means actual retrogression Financial equilibrium obtained by such false economy is not worthy of the name.

MR. DULLABHJI D. VED, the chief minister of the Palanpur State, has usually an instructive as well as a gratifying report of progress to make as to the administration of the territory under his control each succeeding year. But the publication dealing with 1897-98, though it comes in with accustomed promptitude, tells a decidedly woful story. The State has suffered severely from plague in the past year and interfered with administrative progress. The only new feature of the Medical Department has been the enforcement of the Stamp Laws. But still greater opportunities have been afforded for the demonstration of the high value of the Medical Department. Palanpur suffered from what Mr. Dullabhji, not inaptly, termed a long tale of unprecedented woes and sufferings, mitigated greatly by the liberal grants by the durbar and the deep and active sympathy of his Highness the Dewan Saheb. The people had the same obstinate objection to hospitals and segregation camp which has been so pronounced in all other parts of India, and the apathy of the search parties was such that it was found useless depending upon them to give much help or timely information. But business-like measures were adopted by the minister, who divided Palanpur city into four wards, each of which was placed under a responsible person with a search party to inspect each quarter, Mr. Dullabhji himself superintending their operations. These were conducted judiciously but effectively, for the plague almost diminished, and probably would have done so entirely, but for the sudden influx of people at Dewali. However, after the advice of the Plague Commissioner had been acted upon the epidemic was practically at an end by November. Prior to this the city had been practically evacuated and every house subjected to a rigorous process of disinfection before the people were permitted to return. The villages to which fugitives had carried plague were similarly dealt with under the supervision of Dr. Anderson, for the services of several European medical officers were secured. Beyond grappling with the plague other works of public utility have been carried on in the State. The work of introducing the Vighoti system of levying the land revenue has been pushed on with remarkable vigour and energy; and even better results than those in the previous year have been achieved. The Bhagbatai system has been replaced by this one in twenty-one additional villages, in the year under report against thirteen in 1896-97. This addition makes the total number of villages having the Vighoti system 150. The year has not been without its compensations for the crops were above the average, wheat being no less than a fifteen-anna out-turn, and taking the crops all round the mean was as much as twelve annas. The cultivation of cotton, however, does not make much progress, though the soil is of such a character as to be distinctly favourable to its growth. But Egyptian seed, supplied by Mr. Tata, is to be extensively experimented with, and it is anticipated satisfactory results will accrue. Palanpur has suffered so severly in the past twelve months that it is feared the condition of the people and the financial equilibrium of the State cannot be restored for some years.

THE death rate in Bombay during the week which ended on Tuesday was considerably below that of the same week of last year, when there is every reason to believe, the population was no larger than it is to-day. The deaths numbered 583, being 187 less than in the same period of last year, and 44 below the quinquennial average. The deaths were 15 more than in the preceding week, less than half the increase being due to plague. That disease is shown to have been responsible for the death of 69 persons, as against 14 in the same week of last year. But the latter figure is known to be absurdly disproportionate to the actual facts of the case, and the probabilities are that the plague mortality twelve months ago was considerably greater than it is now. For instance 116 deaths were then returned as due to remittent fever, as against 52 last week and 114 from phthisis as against 78 now, and an average of 87. Similarly, diseases of the respiratory organs were put down as causing the loss of 121 lives, as against 97 last week and an average of 103. It was in the excessive mortality returned from these causes that most of the plague deaths were concealed last year. But now not only is diagnosis of plague more accurate, but there is also less endeavour on the part of the people to deceive the authorities than was then the case, the change being due to an abandonment of the impracticable policy of suppression inaguratad by the Plague Committee, and which hopelessly broke down last March. Unfortunately we have one disease with us now which was non-existent in July 1897, and that is relapsing fever which claimed eight victims. It is somewhat disquieting to find that five of the plague deaths took place in Colaba—a larger number than for several weeks past. The B (Mandvie) Ward had 20 fatal cases, the C (Market) Ward and the E (Byculla) Ward 12 each. Parel had five deaths, Mahim 6, and Sion 3. The Girgaum Ward (which includes Malabar and Cumballa Hills) was alone quite free from plague. The Hindus again had an unenviable monopoly of plague, only eleven deaths therefrom occurring outside the various communities of that race.

So much has been said as to the probable terms of peace to be exacted from Spain by America that the subject has become rather stale. Interest in it mainly centres upon the hopes of a speedy termination of hostilities which are indulged in by all who desire to see the Spanish nation saved from financial and political ruin. From this point of view there is cause for congratulation that the Madrid Cabinet has now formally sued for peace through the French Ambassador at Washington. But the Government which professedly undertook the war from humanitarian motives seems in no hurry to come to terms. President McKinley asks for the complete independence of Cuba, under the "protection" of the United States, the absolute cession of Puerto Rico and the Ladrones, and a port and coaling station in the Philippines. These terms cannot be regarded as more excessive than might have been expected, but there does not appear to be any reason why they should be presented at the point of the bayonet to a power which confesses herself beaten in the struggle. President McKinley refuses even to suspend hostilities unless binding pledges are obtained from Spain to abide by these "minimum" conditions. Surely an armistice for ten days or a fortnight might have been given for negotiations to be entered upon. However, beggars cannot be choosers, and in all probability the Madrid Government will accept the terms offered. Nothing is said about a war indemnity, but if America obtains all she demands she may well allow her impoverished and vanquished foe to be kept free from monetary obligations which she could only meet by slow instalments, and with the utmost difficulty.

THE last news from Bajaur seems to point to the Khan of Nawagi having been himself engaged against the Nawab of Dir last Sunday. The latter has written to Major Deane, excusing himself and asking for British help, so the fight would not appear to have been decisive.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor of Bombay, under the authority vested in him by the Indian Councils Acts, 1861 and 1892, is pleased to nominate Rao Bahadur Chunilal Venilal, C.I.E., to be an Additional Member of the Council of the Governor of Bombay for the purpose of making Laws and Regulations only.

THE Bank of Bombay yesterday reduced its rate of interest on demand loans on Government paper to 4 per cent.

THE Bank of Madras rate has been lowered to 5 per cent.

BRITISH dollars to the value of Rs. 11,85,000 were transferred from the Mint to the Customs House for export during the week ended July 27th, leaving a balance of silver and bullion held on account of tenderers for the coinage of over 40 lakhs. The Mint is now preparing a large number of medals for the Frontier campaigns of last year, and the Calcutta Mint is similarly engaged.

AT the Bombay High Court, Mr. Justice Parsons and Mr. Justice Ranade have, on appeal, reduced the sentences in the Broach Riot case. Ten persons were committed for trial before Mr. Fawcett, Joint Sessions Judge of Broach, on a charge of rioting and voluntarily causing grievous hurt, and one of them, Ibrahim Isuf, was also charged with murder. On the night of the 3rd February last, at Dyadra Taluka in Broach, the accused were arrested for rioting, some of them being armed with deadly weapons; and they were alleged to have caused grievous hurt to Mahomed Ali and Adum Osmal, and injuries resulting in death to Ibrahim Ali. Mr. Fawcett convicted eight out of the ten accused and sentenced No. 1 to transportation for life for murder in addition to two years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 150 for the minor offence; and the other accused to terms of imprisonment varying from one to three years' rigorous imprisonment and fines. Their lordships, after hearing the arguments of counsel, reduced the sentence on accused No. 1 from transportation for life to three years' rigorous imprisonment; and those against the other accused to terms varying from one to two years' imprisonment, quashing the sentences of fine upon all the accused.

MR. P. R. CADELL, I.C.S., acts as Collector and District Magistrate, Karachi, and District Registrar, Karachi, from the date Mr. R. Giles, M.A. (Cantab.), gives over charge. Mr. J. P. Vaughan, I.C.S., to act as Assistant Commissioner in Sind, vice Mr. Cadell.

SURGEON-CAPTAIN T. E. DYSON, M.B., C.M., is appointed to act as Professor of Ophthalmic Medicine and Surgery and Professor of Comparative Anatomy and Zoology, Grant Medical College, and as Ophthalmic Surgeon, J. J. Hospital, during the absence of Surgeon-Captain H. Herbert, F.R.C.S., who has been granted one year's furlough on medical certificate.

MR. S. COOKE, M.A., F.I.C., F.G.S., Associate M. Inst. C.E., Principal, College of Science, Poona, has been granted by the Secretary of State one month's further extension of furlough.

MR. E. JACKSON, has been appointed President of the Sind Boiler Commission, vice Mr. Morris, resigned.

MR. W. F. D. FISHER, is appointed to hold charge of the office of Divisional Forest Officer, Central Thana, in addition to his own duties, during the absence on leave of Mr. J. Dodgson.

MR. J. W. A. WEIR, I.C.S., acting Collector of Sholapur, has been granted privilege leave of absence for two months and thirty days. Mr. F. G. Pratt, I.C.S., will hold the acting appointment.

BRIGADE-SURGEON-LIEUTENANT-COLONEL M. L. Bartholomeuz, Civil Surgeon, Ahmedabad, has been allowed privilege leave of absence for two months and thirty days.

ONE of the great wants of Murree, the head-quarters as it is now of the Punjab Command, is improved arrangements for its social gatherings and entertainments. The present Assembly Rooms sadly require overhauling. The building is much in need of better ventilation, a point of great importance; while for concerts or theatricals the acoustic properties are poor. Another great need is some shed or shelter for ponies, jhampans and their attendants. The heavy and continued rain on the night of the 22nd instant, when a subscription dance was held there, gave a practical illustration of what is wanted in this respect.

LAST Wednesday afternoon, during a heavy downpour of rain at Rangoon, a vivid flash of lightning struck the topmast of the steamer Karagola, splitting the mast and burning the flag. The lightning-conductors were temporarily removed.

NEWS has arrived at Singapore, from Batavia, of the suicide of Mr. Bonhote, of the firm of Maclaine Fraser and Co., and acting British Consul. Mr. Bonhote cut his throat in so determined a manner as to nearly sever the head from the body. Mrs. Bonhote had her hands badly wounded in attempting to prevent her husband committing this terrible deed.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending July 26, was 583, giving a death-rate of 34·67 per annum per thousand as against 46·31 the corresponding period of last year, and 37·39 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 127 died from fevers; of which 69 were bubonic; 4, cholera; 78, phthisis; 43, diseases of the nervous system; 97, affections of the respiratory organs; 44, diarrhœa; 12, dysentery; 35, still-born; 46, old age and debility; 6, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows:—Jain 18; Brahmin, 19; Lingaet, 1; Hindu of other caste, 276; Hindu outcaste, 71; Musalman, 141; Parsee, 24; Jew, 2; Native Christian, 22; Eurasian, 7; European, 1; Negro-African, 1. The total number of births was 171 as against 208 the corresponding period of last year, and 276 the average over the past five years.

THE Committee on the equipment of field service hospitals has held numerous sittings at Simla this month, and much practical good is expected to result from its work.

COLONEL HILL has left Simla for Dum Dum in connection with his work as a member of the Committee on the traffic in arms across the frontier. He will in due course visit the various arsenals in India.

THE Central Provinces Land and Tenancy Bill will probably come up for disposal before the Viceroy's Legislative Council next month. Mr. Chitnavis, Additional Member of the Legislative Council from the Central Provinces, will attend the meetings at which the Bills will be considered. He has various amendments to propose.

NEWS has reached Malakhand that fighting took place on the 24th instant in the Jhandol Valley between the Nawab of Dir's forces and the Bajouris. The former lost 31 killed and 50 wounded, while the estimated loss of their opponents was 136 killed and wounded. Seventy rifles and carbines are said to have been taken by the Nawab's men.

LIEUTENANT E. H. PAYNE, Officiating Examiner of Commissariat Accounts, Madras, having been invalided Home on one year's furlough by a Medical Board, Major Shewell, from the Bengal Command, has been appointed to act as Examiner. Lieutenant Donnan, Inspecting Officer, Military Accounts Department, and lately Officiating Examiner of Ordnance and Clothing Accounts, has also been granted leave owing to ill-health.

NINE murders are reported to have been committed by one person in the course of a few hours near Kangayam in the District of Coimbatore. The offender, who was not given shelter even by his own sister, has surrendered himself to the police. But the motive with which he committed the atrocities is not clear. The chief victims were two young women, and the rest, among whom were two young children, seem to have been killed solely to prevent exposure of the crime.

WITH regard to the various claspe for the operations beyond the frontier we understand that the Government of India made definite recommendations to the Home authorities some time ago, and it is believed that these have been accepted, though final orders have not been received. If the Tirah clasp is to be confined to the operations which terminated say on January 31st which would include the re-occupation of the Khyber, the Bazar Valley expedition and the action at Shinkamar, every one, a contemporary thinks, should be satisfied.

The *Englishman* says: "There is a rumour that the Government may not after all borrow 120 lakhs this year. The price of Government paper continues very low and a further decline would be certain if a loan were announced. It is an open secret that the revenues of the Government are flowing in in an extraordinary manner, the railways having already yielded considerably over a crore more than last year, while land revenue is being steadily paid. Sir James Westland would be well advised to postpone his borrowing till a more suitable occasion, especially as he is in no great need of money."

THIS action may probably result in the other Bajouri clans gathering to help the Jhandol men. The Khan of Nawagai, who is under British protection, is known to be seriously alarmed at the movement of the Dir *lashkar* over the Panjkora and he will feel bound to oppose it, as otherwise he may find his own State threatened. There are rumours that the Hadda Mullah may emerge from his seclusion in order to preach fresh *Jihad* against the Nawab of Dir, whom he cordially hates for his close relations with the Indian Government. There may thus be serious trouble brewing in the country bordering our line of communication with Chitral.

THE matter about the small bit of road at the back of Lord Lawrence's statue came up at the Municipal meeting, Lahore, on Saturday. The strange fact was disclosed in the discussion that followed, that this particular bit of road had not been repaired since it was first constructed eight years ago! It was built as an approach road to the Chief Court by the Punjab Government, and as it was never formally made over to the Municipality, they did not consider it their duty to repair it. To settle this matter, it was proposed that the Municipality repair the road at once, and settle the matter of ownership later on. This was carried, and so we shall soon have the road repaired.

THE Royal Warrant regarding the Army Medical Corps has at last been issued. All the cumbrous medical titles have been swept away. The medical officers of the army are in future to be known by their military rank alone. The surgeon-colonel is to be colonel and the brigade-surgeon-lieutenant-colonel and surgeon-lieutenant-colonel simply lieutenant-colonel. The same rule applies to surgeon-majors, surgeon-captains, and surgeon-lieutenants, who will bear the titles of major, captain, and lieutenant, respectively. Each officer will write after his name the letters A. M. C. (Army Medical Corps) as Artillery and Engineer officers write R. A. and R. E. Of course medical officers, however, cannot by virtue of their rank take charge of troops in the field. The medical staff will in future consist of surgeon-generals (ranking as majors-general), and the title of surgeon-major-generals will be altered accordingly. It is notified that officers of the Army Medical Corps holding appointments in the Household Troops will be borne as seconded officers on the establishment.

A SENSATIONAL affair is reported from the Kolar gold fields. It appears that information was telegraphed from Madras that one John Thomas of Melbourne visited Pondicherry on the 12th instant, and sold bullion gold valued at fifteen thousand rupees for one thousand. The Police Inspector on the British frontier communicated with the gold fields, and the police there on Friday traced E. Hoskins, the reduction officer on the Oorgaum mine as the person who, under the assumed name of John Thomas, sold the gold at Pondicherry. The police searched Mr. Hoskins' bungalow, but found nothing belonging to the company. The Inspector of frontier police identified Hoskins and his wife as the persons he had seen in Pondicherry on the 13th instant in the Magray hotel, whom he succeeded in interviewing in disguise as a Chetty merchant seeking to negotiate the purchase of gold. Hoskins and his wife deny their presence in Pondicherry, but admit that they left the gold fields on the 10th and veturned on the 18th, alleging, however, that they went to Madras, not Pondicherry. Hoskins has been arrested and remanded till the 29th, and on Friday night was conveyed to Pondicherry by Mr. Ballard, Superintendent of the Gold Fields Police, for identification as the person who had sold the bullion gold under the name of John Thomas of Melbourne.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE HISPANO-AMERICAN WAR.

HOSTILITIES NOT TO BE SUSPENDED.

LONDON, JULY 27.

America will not consent to suspend hostilities till Spain gives binding pledges to abide by the broad preliminary conditions of peace as outlined in this morning's telegram.

THE WAR PARTY IN AMERICA.

JULY 28.

The *Times'* New York correspondent telegraphs, there is a considerable party in Washington, including the Secretaries for War and Navy, who favour a continuance of the war, and who declare that General Miles can conquer Puerto Rico within a fortnight when the American Government will be in a better position to negotiate terms of peace with Spain.

REPORTED VICTORY OF SPANISH VOLUNTEERS.

It is announced at Madrid that 700 Spanish Volunteers in Puerto Rico compelled the Americans, who were advancing on Yanco (?), to retreat to their previous positions.

SERIOUS ILLNESS OF PRINCE BISMARCK.

JULY 27.

Prince Bismarck is seriously ill and his family have assembled at Freidrichsruh, but as the patient has slept well it is hoped that he will recover.

ILLNESS OF KING ALFONSO.

The King of Spain is confined to his bed suffering from an attack of measles.

THE PRINCE OF WALES RECOVERING.

H. R. H. the Prince of Wales continues to make satisfactory progress towards recovery and is going to Cowes on Saturday.

THE HOOLEY BANKRUPTCY.

SENSATIONAL DISCLOSURES.

Mr. Ernest Terah Hooley, the bankrupt millionaire, was publicly examined to-day, and gave sensational accounts, with the names and the immense sums he had paid to secure titled directors and to square newspapers, solicitors, and bankers in promoting the Dunlop Tyre, Bovril, and other Companies.

INDIAN TROOPS IN AFRICA.

JULY 29.

Letters received from Kampala give particulars of operations carried out by Major Martyr, who with a strong force of Indian troops recently crossed the Nile and attacked 400 Nubian rebels.

In the encounter Lieutenant Gage was wounded and 43 of the Indian troops were killed and wounded.

THE REBELLION IN CHINA.

A "Times" telegram from Hongkong says that the rebel leader in the Kuangsi province has proclaimed a new dynasty which is styled "Vast Progress," and aims to prevent foreigners from occupying Chinese territory.

The city of Yungun has been captured, but over a thousand rebels were slain and the rebellion is reported to be almost quelled.

THE GOODWOOD PLATE.

The Goodwood Plate, formerly known as the Goodwood Stakes, was run for yesterday and resulted as follows :—

Marius II	1
Eclipse	2
Invincible II	3

RESULT OF THE GOODWOOD CUP.

The following is the result of the race for the Goodwood Cup run for to-day :—

King's Remembrancer	1
Pie Powder	2
St. Cloud II	3

THE MAILS.

SUEZ, JULY 28.

The P. and O. Company's s. s. Rome, with the outward mails of the 22nd instant, left here at 10 p.m., yesterday.

THE FRONTIER DISTURBANCE.

A SETTLEMENT URGED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, JULY 28.

A motamid, or messenger, came in to Malakand on Tuesday from the Nawab of Dir, and Major Deane sent back word by him advising the Nawab to endeavour to arrive at a settlement of boundary between the opposing factions in Jandol without further fighting.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S ORDERS.

Lieutenant Nicoloy, 17th Bombay Infantry, to officiate as Wing Officer, 1st Battalion, 4th Gurkhas ; Lieutenant Davis, East Yorkshire Regiment, to officiate as Wing Officer, 2nd Bombay Grenadiers.

Lieutenant Sherlock, to be Wing Officer, 17th Bombay Infantry, Vice Lieutenant Cates, seconded on appointment to Commissariat Department.

Colonel W. Hailes, to officiate as Colonel on staff Mooltan, vice Colonel Meiklejohn on leave.

LT.-COL. O'SULLIVAN R. E.

Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel O'Sullivan, R.E. who has been to Chitral garrison is shortly expected here to confer with Government before rejoining his appointment at Poona.

MR. CUNLIFFE, PORT STORE-KEEPER.

Mr. Cunliffe, Port Store-Keeper, N. W. Railway receives the Commander-in-Chief's acknowledgments for services in connection with supplying stores for recent frontier expeditions

PROVOST-MARTIAL FOR KHYBER BRIGADE.

The appointment of Provost-Marshal for Khyber Brigade has been sanctioned.

THE RAJAH OF JIND.

His Highness the Rajah of Jind left Simla to-day or his State.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LIVERPOOL, JULY 27.

The Hall Line steamer Branksome Hall left here this afternoon.

SUEZ, JULY 27.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Golconda left here yesterday evening.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Monroe left here, for Colombo, Madras, and Calcutta, this morning.

COLOMBO, JULY 28.

Oriental steamer Ormuz from Australia arrived.

French mail steamers Villa dsia Ciotat, from Australia and Caledonien, from China arrived.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, JULY 27.

The Liverpool Cotton market closed firm. Surats dull.

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The Manchester Market has been steady.

2½ per cent. Consols	111
3 per cent. Rentes	103 1-4
3½ per cent. sterling Loan	113 1-2
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper	93 1-8
Bar Silver	27 1-8

The sum of about £125,000 has been withdrawn from the Bank of England.

POONA SUMMER SKY RACES.

THIRD DAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JULY 28.

Poona Summer sky meeting concluded this afternoon attendance was fair—entries for three days been a poor one compared with former years. After the fourth race a smart shower of rain came but did not interfere with the meeting. Thanks are due to Mr. Cecil Gray, Secretary for bringing out every thing in proper order. Major Rose acted Judge and Mr. Lemesurier preformed the duty of Clerk of scales, the following are the results :—

1ST RACE.—"The Galloway Handicap."—Distance—6 furlongs. For all Galloways, 13-3 and under,

Black Bess walk over.

2ND RACE.—" Consolation Stakes."—Distance—1-2 Mile. Rs. 200. For Arab and C. B. Ponies which have not won race value Rs. 150. 13-2 to carry 9st. 7lbs. W. I. C. B. allowed 3lbs.

Mr Ali bin Amir's b a p Observer, 9st 11b 1
Mr Cowasjee Burjorji's b a p Soda Good Luck, 8st 11b 2
Matter
Mr R P Kapadia g a p Tehampton, 8st 2lbs. Namah 3
Mr J Duff's b ch p Windward 0

Betting : 2 to 1 on Good Luck ; 3 against rest.

Observer led the whole way. Won by two lengths—Time—59 1-5.

3RD RACE.—"The Deccan Handicap."—Distance—1 Mile. Rs. 200. For all Arabs and Southern India C. Bs. Weight—Handicap.

Mr Adam Yar Mahomed's b a h Chieftain, 8st 9lbs 1
Capt Peyton's br a geld Greenhalgh Topthorn, 9st 5lbs 2
Mr D D's b a h Southwell Almonium, 8st 5lbs 3
Mr J Moilson's g cb m Bonnie Dean, 9st 1 lbs 0
Mr A R Amir's b a g Young Fakir, 7st 3lbs 0

Betting : 5 to 4 on Topthorn ; 2 against Chieftain ; 4 against Almonium ; 6 against Young Fakir.

A good start. Young Fakir had best of start but was soon caught by others and favourite took the lead ; the horses were running abreast—Distance half mile, but Chistain and Topthorn soon improved their paces. The former won by two lengths. Half length between second and third.—Time 27secs.

4TH RACE.—"The Summer Handicap."—Distance—5 Furlongs. Rs. 200. For Arab and C. B. Galloways 13-3 and under which have not won race value Rs. 500. Weight—Handicap. Handicap to be published by 8 a. m. Wednesday, 27th July.

Mr J Mahomed's b a p Driver, 9st 1
Mr Abdul M Shamlan's g a p Greenhaigh Samdan, 7st 4lbs 2
Mr F Hart's c a g Chuggan Governor, 9st 5lb 3
Mr R Bhookandass' b a g Romeo, 10st 2lbs 0
Major Conran's br a g Astrakan, 7st 0

Betting : 5 to 4 against Driver ; 2 against Governor ; 5 against Samdan and 6 against Astrakan.

Driver jumped away with lead was never headed. Samdan came out at half mile though made grand effort. Driver won by half length. Time—1min. 14secs.

5TH RACE—" The Substitution Stakes."—Distance—5 Furlongs. For all Horses (Maidens) W. A. & C. raised 1st. Horses not won race value Rs. 150 allowed 7 lbs.

Mr Frost's b e m Loyalty, 8st 7lbs, Robinson 1
Mr James' br aus g Dakin, 9st 5lbs, Hoyt 2
Mr Farmer's b aus m Lady Baldwin, 9st 7lbs, Jakoo 3
Capt Lecey's b e g Guidesman 0

Betting : 5 to 2 against Loyalty ; 4 against Baldwin and 6 Dakin.

Good start. Loyalty showed front. Won easily, hard held by two lengths. Time—1min 10secs..

6TH RACE.—" The Arab Stakes."—Distance—6 Furlongs. Rs. 200. For Arab Horses which have not won race value Rs. 150, Weight 9st. 3lbs. gals. allowed 7lbs.

Mr Ali bin Ameer's b a g Hyderi, 8st 5lbs 1
Mr Ali bin Talib's g a g Soda Digiah, 8st 3lbs, Heeroo 2
Mr Omer Abdul Razak b a h Gulshan, 8st 12lbs, Greenhalgh 3
Mr Khullan Dakili's c a g Raby, 9st 3lbs, Mr Sitwell 0
Mr Adam Yar Mahomed's g a h Maurice 0

Betting : Evens on Hyderi ; 3 against Gulshan ; 4 against Diglah ; and 5 against Baby.

Diglah led entire way followed by Gulshan. At turn Hyderi came up and challenged leader. Good race ensued. Then at Post Hyderi managed to secure verdict by half length. Ten lengths between second and third. Time—1min. 31secs.

7TH RACE.— "The Grand Stand Plate."—Distance—7 Furlongs. Rs. 200. For all Arabs and C. B. Galloways which have never won a race value Rs. 900. Weight—14 hands to carry 10st. 7lbs. W. I. Penalties—Winners of a race value Rs. 500, once, 4lbs. ; twice 7lbs ; oftener, 10lbs. Allowances—Maidens 3lbs. ; Maidens on 1st May, 1893, 4lbs. ; Galloways which have never won a race value Rs. 150, 7lbs. (accumulative).

Mr D D's c a p Mooktar, 8st 4lbs, Ganga 1
Mr R Bhukandass' b g Romeo, 8st 13lbs, Greenhalgh 2
Lieut C Corbett's g a g Midshipmite, 8st 5lbs, Mr Sitwell 3
Mr Ali bin Amir's b a p Massowah 0
Mr Abdul R Amir's b a g Reminder 0

Betting : 5 to 1 on Romeo ; 4 against Mooktar ; and 6 against Midshipmite.

Mooktar took lead, though Romeo drew lead with him at half mile, was able to shake him off. Won by three lengths. Time—1min. 52secs.

8th Race.—There was no entry.

THE COUNTERFEIT COIN CASE.

YESTERDAY, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, the further proceedings in the case against Lukha Visram and twelve others, who are charged with manufacturing counterfeit coin and with possessing instruments for the manufacture of the same, were continued.

Mr. E. F. Nicholson, Public Prosecutor, assisted by Sirdar Mir Abdul Ali Khan Bahadur, led evidence for the prosecution. The counsel engaged in the defence were Mr. Murzban, barrister-at-law ; Mr. Brown and Mr. Wadia, solicitors, and Messrs. Kapadia, Velinker, Sealy and Kothare, pleaders.

Shekoo Mahomed, examined by Mr. Nicholson, said he knew accused Nos. 1,2 and 6. Witness was a hammerman in the service of No. 2. They used to melt silver bars and make the round discs by hammering them. The discs were subsequently turned into coins by means of dies. Witness then described certain processes which the coins underwent. His master Valji used to get silver bars from accused Dossabhoy. From two hundred to four hundred coins were made in a day. Witness was told by Valji to conceal the dies which he did. Subsequently witness was asked by Valji in the presence of the police to show the place where the dies had been concealed. Valji took them out from that place and gave them up to the police. He also gave up the milling instrument. He had seen accused No. 1 taking away the dies from Valji's shop.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sealy, witness said he had not seen accused No. 1 himself using the dies.

Cross-examined by Mr. Velinkar, witness said that on the morning of the day when Valji was arrested he (witness) had gone to him to ask for leave. Valji told him to keep the dies and deliver them up to him in the noon when he would ask him to do so.

Examined by the Court, witness said on the day of Valji's arrest they were engaged in making coins.

Makoo Ahmed, a hammerman in the service of the first two accused, having been examined, further inquiry was adjourned.

A GENERAL Order by the Commander-in-Chief has just been issued regarding the distribution of a sum at the credit of the Patriotic Fund for the relief of sufferers in recent military operations on the North-West frontier. The special committee for generally superintending the distribution of the money will, according to the usual custom, consist of the Secretary to the Government of India in the Military Department, the Adjutant-General and Accountant-General, Milltary Department, with Major Watkis, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General at Army Headquarters as Secretary. The troops which shared in the operations from June 10th to April 6th, will benefit. The sums to be granted will, as we stated some time ago, be Rs. 150 for each European family, Rs. 75 for each native family including those of pensionable followers, and Rs. 100 for the families of followers not entitled to pension. The usual regimental and departmental Committees will be formed forthwith, while civil officers will consider the claims of the families of followers with the hired transport.

A CORRESPONDENT at Biarritz sends an interesting account of the early life of M. Saleza, who is this year one of the leading tenors of the Royal Opera, Covent Garden. It is already known that M. Saleza was born at Bruges, in the Basses Pyrenees. He was, it seems, left an orphan and entirely unprovided for at eight, but after tramping some distance he obtained a post as shepherd at Roquefort. Six years later, at his native village, he became a maker of the canvas shoes worn by the peasantry, and after working for some time on the railway then in process of construction between Pau and Eaux Rounes, he resumed the sandal-making at Bayonne. There, as he was walking home one night singing to himself, his voice attracted the notice of M. Dubie, a local musician, who invited him home, and was so struck by the beauty of a pure tenor organ that he introduced him to certain citizens at Bayonne. Thanks to their generosity, M. Saleza was educated, first locally, and afterwards at the Paris Conservatoire, where in 1888 he obtained the first prise for singing, and was soon afterwards engaged at the Paris Grand Opera. His subsequent career is well known.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office Returns for the twenty-four hours ending 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results :—

WARDS.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Southern, Fort Northern and Esplanade	0	0	2
B Mandvi, Chukla, Umarkhadi and Donsri	3	1	22
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Bunaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	8	6	14
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Mahalakshmi	0	0	7
E Masagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	1	2	19
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	1	3
G Mahim and Worlee	0	0	3
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	1	0	0
Hospitals	0	3	10
Total	13	7	80
Total plague deaths to date	30,777	26,392	
Same date last year	9	4	157

BANDORA.

There were no plague cases on the 27th instant, within the Municipal District of Bandora.

Mr. P. R. Cadell, I.C.S., has been appointed Chairman of the Karachi Plague Committee, vice Mr. R. Giles, M.A., resigned.

Assistant Surgeon R. J. Kapadia has been attached to Monsieur W. M. Haffkine's Laboratory.

Lieutenant J. H. Keogh, R.A., has been placed at the disposal of the Plague Commissioner and is appointed on Plague duty in Bombay.

Surgeon-Captain Ashton Street, I.M.S., has been appointed a member of the Hyderabad Plague Committee, vice Surgeon-Lieutenants-Colonel W. G. H. Henderson, I. M. S., resigned.

PLAGUE IN CALCUTTA.

THE immunity which was reported on Tuesday did not unfortunately extend over the succeeding twenty-four hours, for towards evening on Monday an Eurasian, developed suspicious symptoms and was removed to the Medical College Hospital, where after examination he was detained. This brought the total number of seizures up to 185 ; the number of fatalities still standing at 151. There are at present twelve suspected cases under treatment in different parts of the city, distributed as follows :—Seven in the Medical College Hospital ; one in the Campbell Hospital ; two private cases in British India Street ; one in Hospital Lane ; and one in the Female Hospital in Harrison Road. None of them gives the authorities any cause for anxiety, and some are very nearly convalescent.

GENERAL DEATH RATE.

The general mortality rate on the 25th instant was 30, which means a return from the abnormal rate recorded on Sunday to the normal rate which has prevailed for nearly a month. The quinquennial average was 45.

PLAGUE OBSERVATION CAMPS.

The total number of persons examined and detained during the week ending the 10th of July, at the respective camps of Chakradharpur (down trains), Chousa (down trains), Maiwa (down trains), and Khurda, were as follows :—Number of persons examined during the week from Monday to Sunday—583, 7,886, 1,252, and 2,814 ; total 12,535. Number of persons examined since the plague observation camps were opened—13,087, 24,173, 37,714 and 70,049 ; total 338, 469. Number of suspects detained during the week—55, 479, 0 and 17 ; total 551. Number of suspects detained since the camps were opened—1,192, 6,123, 684 and 2,247 ; total 10,246. Number of persons detained in camp during the week—241, 479, 0 and 61 ; total 781.

THE BLACKMAILING CASE.

THE ALLEGED THEFT OF DURANT'S PAPERS.

NEGLECT TO GO ON WITH THE PROSECUTION.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, acting Third Presidency Magistrate, Mr. Hugh Sealy, pleader, appeared on behalf of Nanabhoy Dowasji Engineer and Dorabji Dursetji Patel, who have been charged by Oliver Durant with stealing his papers, and stated that some days ago Durant said he would pay the summons-fees in the course of the day, and obtain summonses against Engineer and Patel ; but he had failed hitherto to pay the fees in question. Mr. Sealy said his clients wanted to be prosecuted, and in the interests of public justice, of which Durant wanted to be a protector, the case should not be allowed to drop. Either the charge was true or false. If true the accused should be punished, if false, Durant should be. The difficulty was with regard to the court fees for the summonses, but under the Court Fees Act of 1870, and the High Court rules framed in virtue thereof, no fee was necessary for issuing process in cognisable cases. The charge against the accused being cognizable, the summonses should be issued without requiring the payment of fees. His clients would then accept service and the case might be proceeded with without further hitch. The magistrate said he would look into the matter.

THE WEATHER AT SEA.

THE s.s. Courland, Captain W.F. Fairweather which left here early yesterday morning for Mauritius, with a general cargo, and a few passengers, on approaching the Outer Light ship, encountered very boisterous weather and very heavy sea breaking over her bows. Captain Fairweather, deemed it expedient to turn the course back and she anchored opposite the Ballard Pier, about 11 a.m. She sustained no damage. She will leave for her destination to-day by 9 o'clock.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s s Wardha, Captain J. Anderson, arrived in harbour yesterday from Zanzibar, experienced very heavy monsoon weather with high sea and fierce squalls. The German East-Africa Line s. s. Safari, Captain C. Zemlin, arrived here yesterday from Zanzibar, had from Lamoo to Socotra moderate W. W. monsoon, thence wind blew from W. S. W. with heavy squalls of rain up to 69 degrees east, then experienced fine weather. The Asiatic S. N. Co.'s s. s. Nairung, Captain J. Bullock, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta via coast ports, encountered from Mangalore to Bombay threatening weather and fierce squalls with high confused sea.

MILITARY NEWS.

THE following appointments are made :—Major Allen, East Kent Regiment, to be a Station Staff Officer, 1st class, in the Punjab Command, vice Major Becker, vacated. 11th Bengal Infantry.—2nd-Lieutenant Rennick, Officiating Wing Officer, 16th Bengal Infantry, is transferred in the same capacity. 23rd Madras Light Infantry.—Lieutenant Oliphant, Devonshire Regiment, candidate for the Staff Corps, to be Officiating Wing Officer.

CAPTAIN SKINNER, Royal Sussex Regiment, has passed the examination qualifying him for promotion to the rank of Major.

SPORT IN ENGLAND.

THE LIVERPOOL CUP.

THE (71st) Liverpool Cup of 1,200 sovs ; the second to received 125 sovs., and the third 50 from the stake ; by subscription of 25 sovs. each, 15 ft., and 3 sovs only if declared ; a handicap ; winners after June 23, at noon, of any two races, or of one value 200 sovs., or of a handicap of any value, 4lbs ; of a handicap value 300 sovs., or of any race value 400 sovs, 7lbs. ; of two handicaps of any value, or of one handicap value 400, 10lbs. extra. Cup Course, one mile and three furlongs. (27 subs, 16 of whom declared.)

The highest weight accepting being 8st. 11lbs., it has been raised to 9st., and the others in proportion.

Mr Reid Walker's br h Diana Forget, by Loved One—Barometer, 6yrs, 8st 7lbs. Robinson 1
Mr Jersey's ch c Brayhead, by Arklow—Contour, 4yrs, 7st 7lbs, Madden 2
Mr H McOlmont's b c Knight of the Thistle, by Rosebery—The Empress Maud, 5yrs, 9st, Cannon 3

(Winner trained by Robinson.)

Betting : 7 to 2 against Diana Forget.

Won by a length ; six lengths between second and third.—*Asian.*

SIX Pathans alleged to be implicated in a dacoity at Santadurga temple in Goa last January have been arrested at Bangalore, and were placed before the District Magistrate on Monday. Captain A.M. Deleao, Royal Portuguese Infantry, brought witnesses from Goa, and one of them, a Hindu pujari, deposed that during Jatra at the temple last January a gang of fifty Pathans rushed into the temple armed with guns, swords and torchhes, and set fire to the pandal. The terrified worshippers fled and the Pathans looted the temple of all its jewellery, valued at one lakh of rupees. Nearly all the accused were identified. The Magistrate remanded them to jail pending instructions from the British Resident regarding their transfer to Belgaum for trial with other Pathans arrested there.

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE PARSONS and the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE RANADE.)

REDUCTION OF SENTENCES IN THE BROACH RIOT CASE.

IMPERATRIX VS. IBRAHIM ISUF AND OTHERS.

THIS was an appeal from a decision of Mr. C. Fawcett, Joint Sessions Judge of Broach, who, in April last, convicted eight out of ten persons committed to this court, and sentenced No. 1 to transportation for life in addition to two years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 150 ; and the other appellants to terms of imprisonment varying from one to three years' rigorous imprisonment and fines. Mr. Branson appeared for the first six appellants ; and Mr. F. Sorabji Taleyarkhan for the remaining two. Both counsels were instructed by Mr. Rustom B. Paymaster, vakil, High Court.

Ten persons were committed for trial before Mr. Fawcett and assessors on a charge of rioting and voluntarily causing grievous hurt, the appellant No. 1 being also charged with murder. On the night of the 3rd February last, at Dayadra taluka, in Broach, the accused were arrested for rioting, some of them being armed with deadly weapons, and they were alleged to have caused grievous hurt to Mahomed Ali and Adam Osmal, and injuries resulting in death to Ibrahim Ali. The accused were alleged to have attacked the three men mentioned above at about 9 p.m., as they were on their way home through the place called Desai's Chuckla, and to have struck them with dangs and bill-books. Appellant No. 1 was said to have struck the deceased the blow on his head with a bill-book, which caused his death. The accused were alleged to have attacked the three men, because they suspected them of having cut down the cotton crop of accused No. 1. On the other hand, the accused alleged that the affray arose in consequence of an attack made by Ibrahim Ali and several others on accused No. 1, who ran into his house and shut the door, whereupon the assailants began battering at the door with bill-books and dangs. Accused Nos. 1 and 4 came up with others, and on remonstrating with the offenders for making the disturbance, were struck. The assessors found seven of the appellants guilty of rioting only. The Sessions Judge convicted the first accused of murder, and the rest of rioting and causing grievous hurt, and sentenced them as mentioned above.

Their lordships, after considering the arguments of counsel, reduced the sentence on appellant No. 1 from transportation for life to three years' rigorous imprisonment, and those against the other appellants to terms varying from one to two years, quashing the sentences of fine upon all the appellants.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE PARSONS and the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE RANADE.)

APPEAL FROM A PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATE'S DECISION.

IMPERATRIX VS. RAMLAL MERCHAND.

THIS appeal preferred by Ramlal Merchand, late Government opium broker, against the decision of Mr. W. Webb, Second Presidency Magistrate, was heard to-day before their Lordships. Mr. Khare appeared for the appellant, and the Hon'ble Mr. Lang, Advocate-General, with Mr. Young, instructed by Mr. Nicholson, the Government Solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Crown. Mr. Rustom Pestonji Jehangir, Assistant Collector of Customs, watched the proceedings on behalf of his department.

Mr. Khare, in addressing their Lordships, stated that the appellant had not pleaded guilty to the charge brought against him in the lower Courts of having possessed four tolas of opium. He simply stated the opium was found in his possession, but before he could finish his sentence by saying it was the joint property of himself, his son and other members of his family, the magistrate took the incomplete statement for a plea of guilty and sentenced him to a fine of Rs. 20.

Their Lordships, in rejecting the appeal, said that no case was made out for interfering with the judgment of the lower Court. According to law a man could not keep in his possession more than three tolas of opium, and that if in a family of opium eaters each member did not keep the quantity for his consumption separate, that the whole quantity kept in a box was liable to confiscation as contraband opium.

HIGH COURT.—ORIGINAL SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE CANDY.)

CLAIM AGAINST A MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

SIRDAR KHAN BAHADUR CASSUM HAJER METHA VS. THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE plaintiff, a salt merchant, prayed that the defendants be decreed to pay to him the sum of Rs. 4,300, together with interest thereon, and the costs of the suit. The Hon. Mr. Lang and Mr. Macpherson, instructed by Messrs. Roughton and Byrne, appeared for the plaintiff ; and Mr. Scott and Mr. Lowndes, instructed by Messrs. Craigie, Lynch, and Owen, appeared for the defendants.

The plaintiff stated that, by a preliminary covering note dated 15th March 1897, and signed by Messrs. Mackinnon Mackenzie and Co., the defendants' Bombay agents, the defendants agreed to accept the risk, as from the date mentioned, on all shipments of salt by the plaintiff to the extent of Rs. 51,000, subject to the terms and conditions in the covering note specified, and agreed to issue to plaintiff, on receipt of particulars, a stamped policy of insurance in completion of the agreement contained in the covering note. On the 14th April 1897, the plaintiff caused 594 bags of salt (each bag containing two mounds) to be placed on board a boat called the Pootli, from which boat it was intended that the bags of salt should be loaded in the steamship Nairung belonging to the British India and Asiatic Company. The Pootli, while lying alongside the Nairung in Bombay harbour, and after delivering 45 bags only on board the Nairung, sank on the 27th April 1897 with the remaining 545 bags in consequence of the heavy wind and rough seas ; and the 545 bags of salt, of the value of Rs. 4,300, were totally lost. The plaintiff, on the 29th April 1897, declared to the defendants' agents the particulars to be contained in the policy of insurance to be issued to plaintiff ; and on the 30th April, a policy was issued accordingly. On the latter date the plaintiff gave notice of his claim to the defendants' agents, who denied that the defendants were liable to the plaintiff in respect of loss. The plaintiff therefore brought this suit to recover Rs. 4,300 in respect of the loss.

The defendants denied that, by the letter referred to, their agents entered into any completed agreement with the plaintiff for the insurance of 594 bags of salt or that the plaintiff had now any claim in respect thereof. On the 29th April 1897, the plaintiff paid to defendants a sum of Rs. 23-2-0 in respect of the premium on a policy of insurance to be issued to him by the defendants for Rs. 60,000 on loose salt to be shipped on the s. s. Nairung on a voyage from Bombay to Calcutta ; and on the 30th April the defendants issued such policy to plaintiff before they received any notice of the alleged loss. The defendants said that at the time the plaintiff paid the premium and before the policy was issued, the plaintiff knew or ought to have known of the said loss ; but that he neglected to communicate the same to the defendants ; and that in consequence, and by reason of the loss having already taken place, the plaintiff had no right to recover from the defendants in respect thereof. If and so far as they were liable in any way and to any extent under the letter referred to, such liability had already been exhausted by previous shipments of the plaintiff, and the plaintiff could not in any event seek to recover the sum now claimed by him. The defendants submitted that the suit should be dismissed with costs.

Evidence in the case was heard during the day.

THE SIR JAMSETJEE JEEJEEBHOY MEMORIAL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It is an universally known problem of Ethics, that amongst the many forms of donation, either from one single individual or from a body of men, especially of a cosmopolitan type, that which has "charity" for its object, has been awarded, in all civilized countries of the world, the first and foremost rank. We have had a very noteable and praiseworthy example in the institution of a large hospital for the suffering poor, got up by means of public subscriptions, at the instance of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen-Empress. It is "Nature" that prompts that idea to humanity to relieve that very humanity from the evils of man's sublunary existence on "Earth." Charity which attains that object, is, therefore, so far natural to human beings, that it is the very first thing thought of when any fit occasion arises to organise any institution to do good to others as we would to ourselves. It would not therefore be out of place to suggest that a "large plague hospital and asylum" may be established at or near Poona which might afford a suitable, and for the time being, home even to the outside subscribers, seeking relief or health. If the present occasion should be taken advantage of, as affording means to make the institution, a Presidency Institution, a very large sum of money will be subscribed (even by the deceased's friends in England) within a limited time, and before the next visitation of the plague we shall have the "Hospital" work to some extent completed. There are good healthy bits of the large tract of the country between the Kirkee and the Chinchwad or between Chinchwad and Telegaon stations of the G. I. P. Railway. They are to my mind well suited to the intended purpose. The Bombay Government would be too glad to accord to the trustees of that valuable and useful institution the necessary and suitable land, free of rent, or at a nominal rental. To give the institution a name in anticipation, it may well be named. The Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy, Poona and Presidency Plague Hospital and Asylum.—Yours, &c.,

July 2. MERWANJI FRAMJI.

THE LOSS OF THE S.S. CHINA.

THE OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION.

THE report of the proceedings of the investigation into the circumstances attending the stranding of the P. and O. steamship China at Perim Island has been published as a Government document.

THE CAPTAIN'S STATEMENT.

After hearing the evidence of the officers of the vessel framed three charges as under :—

Firstly—Setting an improper course. Secondly—Neglecting to use the lead. Thirdly—Neglecting the sufficient use of the hand log to ascertain the speed, especially as no patent log was in use.

Captain De Horne's defence was as follows :—

This Court having investigated the circumstances attending the stranding of the British s. s. China, of which I was master on the 24th March 1898 on Perim Island, has charged me with three wrongful acts or defaults in connection therewith, and having called on me for my defence, I propose dealing with these three charges in their sequence. As regards the first charge of setting an improper course : I would draw the Court's attention to the fact that the disaster which I so deeply lament, undoubtedly occurred through an unusually strong westerly current suddenly favouring the ship between the hours of 4-38 p.m. (when my log-book records the last fix obtained by cross bearings) and 7-25 p.m. when Perim High Light was sighted. I would here submit for the favourable consideration of the Court, that a reference to my evidence will show that during the many passages I have made between Aden and Perim I have never experienced such a current, and that as my three fixes by cross bearings obtained that afternoon, namely at 2-51, 3-51 and 4-38 respectively, revealed the fact that I had no favouring set then, I was justified in conceding I should still experience none between 4-38 and 7-25, during which time fixing the ship's position by cross bearings was no longer practicable. The effects of this powerful unexpected agency were most unfortunate. It not only placed the ship 7 1-2 miles nearer Perim Island than the dead-reckoning placed her, but it also placed her to the westward of the arc of visibility of Obstruction Point Light thus shutting it out when I shaped course direct for Perim High Light on sighting it as has been my hitherto invariable custom when approaching the narrow Straits of Bab-el-Mandeb by night homeward bound. The Court will, I feel confident, admit that I

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of guarding against this current by constantly ascertaining the ship's position during daylight while land was in sight, and that I also caused frequent observations to be taken during the afternoon to ascertain the errors of the compass by azimuth, even to adopting, as my log-book affirms, the extra precaution of directing that between the hours of 4 and 5 p. m. the ship's head should be temporarily diverted from the course she was then on to N. 57 W., the compass course I intended steering later on and after dark, in order that the error on this anticipated course might be ascertained before the sun dipped. I now pass to a question of extreme importance to which I will ask the Court to give their fullest measure of attention and consideration, whilst I endeavour to explain my reasons for shaping a course N. 48 W, (true) and sighting Perim High Light. It will be recollected by the Court that my orders regarding any alteration of course on sighting the light, as elicited by the evidence of Mr. Crawford, Supernumerary Second Officer, were in substance to put her head on to it and send down to me. I did not name any particular compass course to be steered, and I would impress upon the Court that this order was in accordance with my usual custom on sighting the light as just before stated. My reason for adopting this custom being that I consider it desirable at night to pass through the small Strait of Bab-el-Mandeb on the Perim side which has good water and is lighted, in preference to the other side where the water shoals off the unlighted Oyster Island. On my coming on deck immediately I had received the report that the light had been sighted and the course altered for it, the apparent circumstances were exactly similar to those when making the small Strait at night on former homeward voyages, and I put it to the Court whether they were not calculated to mislead me ? I observed the light, and that the ship was steering for it, and as I have replied to a question of one of the Assessors I neither realized then nor subsequently when, I placed the ship in her assumed position on the chart, that Obstruction Point Light would be obscured from me on the course I was approaching the High Light. Paradox though it may appear, if I was destined to experience the exceptionally strong and

TOTALLY UNEXPECTED CURRENT

I did, it would have been better, as tending more to the safety of the ship, had it been still stronger ; for a reference to the chart of Perim Island will show that the two light-houses are situated a little less than half a mile apart. This I need not remind the Court is represented on a small scale chart by a space so very small as to be but little larger than the point of an ordinary pair of dividers. Consequently after placing the ship's position on the Chart No. 19 Gulf of Aden, Sheet 2, western portion corrected to 93, and laying off the course on it for the light, it might easily escape the most careful and prudent of experienced navigators, as it did me, that he was outside the arc of visibility of the northern light. It being as a matter of actual fact, and a fact not to be determined off-hand—a very nice question as to whether I was or was not. Whereas had my position been still further to the westward, it would, at a glance at the chart, have been at once apparent to me that Obstruction Point Light was shut out. Thus while I contend that there was every excuse for my not observing "at the time" the light was sighted and the course altered for it, that Obstruction Point Light was shut out on that course, I could not fail to have observed it when I came to put the ship on the lage scale chart as I intended to do when she got on it, but the current having placed me 7 1-2 miles nearer Perim Island than I naturally supposed myself to be, as I have already explained, I was never accorded the opportunity of doing so, the ship taking the ground before I even supposed her to be on the large scale chart. Finally, in dealing, myself, with the first charge I would remark that Mr. Crawford, the Supernumerary Second Officer, who was on watch at the time, has sworn to the fact of his having mentioned to me, whilst we were on the bridge together, directly after Perim High Light had been sighted, "that the ship must have been set considerably to the southward and westward, and that he fancied Obstruction Point Light would be shut out on the course we were then on, making Perim Island," but he is unable to swear that I heard him. I need scarcely remind the Court on this point that I have sworn that if he did do so, I did not hear him, nor that had I heard him I should undoubtedly have paid the most prompt attention to his suggestion, also that I have sworn that had I heard him, it is not possible that it could have escaped my memory now. As regards

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of neglecting to use the lead : I would observe that having Perim High Light in sight and the course being shaped for it, I knew with absolute certainly from the chart that the water between me and Perim Island was free from all dangers, and I confidently maintain that the most cautious of navigators would hold, as I do, that a cast of Sir William Thompson's machine as a means of verifying the ship's position would have been quite valueless amidst such scant soundings, and apparently so an uneven a bottom as the Chart No. 19, Gulf of Aden, Sheet 2 western portion corrected to 93, upon which I was working reveals. To obtain soundings with the hand

which he expected to sight Obstruction Point Light, but that course being outside the arc of its visibility he could not possibly sight it.

The Court considers that the Master did all that was possible to get the ship off after she stranded. The Court considers that the Master did all that it was possible to do after stranding to allay panic and save life, specie and mails, and that he did it with complete success and averted by his prompt and judicious measures what might have been a serious loss of life.

Taking this into consideration, also that the Master has been in command of large ships for 17 years and has always borne the character of a careful and skilful navigator, that he was not well served by his subordinate, Supernumerary Second Officer Mr. Crawford, the Court suspends his certificate as Master for a period of six calendar months and recommends him in the meanwhile a certificate as First Mate.

The Captain does not desire a certificate of First Mate.

MR. CRAWFORD PROTESTS.

The officer referred to in the report wrote to General Creagh, V. C., president of the Court, protesting against its remarks, and in so doing, said :—

By my evidence it will be seen that I was not satisfied with the course set from the time that Perim High Light was sighted, and did not neglect to tell the Chief Officer, Captain, and Third Officer that it was not a satisfactory course. This, I believe, both the Nautical Assessors and yourself recognize. You will remember that on my taking over charge of the bridge from both the Chief and Third Officers, I was informed that the Captain always ran the ship so far to the westward that he brought Bab-el-Mandeb Peak to bear north, then hauled the ship up, and then ran her through the Small Perim Strait, no mention whatever being made of Obstruction Point Light. After the Captain's arrival on the bridge and after my having told him that the light bore N. 48 W. (High Light) and that it brought the land right ahead, the Captain on two different occasions, I believe, has been proved (or not objected to by him), informed me himself that he considered the ship was going along on a satisfactory way or course, and that directly Babel-Mandeb Peak bore north he would alter the course. Now, when I informed him that I thought it likely that Obstruction Point Light would be shut in on this bearing of Perim High Light, and he did not take any notice, I naturally came to the conclusion (and I venture to think any other officer would have done the same) that as he had told me he would alter the course when Bab-el-Mandeb Peak bore north he intended to run on. Now, wish to bring this clearly to you, Sir, that if he did run on, and providing he made out the Peak bearing north, that if he had then altered his course the ship was perfectly safe, and I know that ! ! And there was apparently no reason why we should not have seen Bab-el-Mandeb Peak, for it was not until after we struck that we were aware that the Peak was hazed over. Another thing I very strongly wish to draw your attention to, is that when I left the bridge the ship was a good six miles (6) from the Perim High Light, and I think I am very certain feeling that the ship's course would be altered very shortly ; that the Captain after altering the course to the northward would then be certain of seeing Obstruction Point Light, and when in a proper position would run the ship through the Straits. I cannot possibly see, Sir, what else I could possibly have done as an officer with out I took the charge of the ship out of the Captain's hands and steered the courses I would have liked, which is ridiculous, can't see, Sir, in what way I could possibly be blamed for the stranding of the China, without I am blamed for carrying out my Captain's orders, and to be blamed for that, I think, will be a bad precedent for other officers of the Merchant Service, for it virtually means that if an officer is not satisfied with his Captain's courses, he had better steer the courses he (the officer) thinks proper, or take the chance of being severely censured. Again Sir, I was so badly censured that I can't think what on earth could possibly be done to a man who, through neglect of duty or drunkenness, lost the ship with all hands, but enough proper to prove him drunk, saved. I really do think he could be more severely served than I have been, for to be so very severely censured one might as well tear one's certificate up for it would be useless, I should say anything of the disgrace. You will, I think, find that if Captain DeHorne was in charge of a ship to-morrow he would take me with him again without any compunction, for he knows I did and always have done my duty towards him and the company. May I ask you, Sir, if you will find out this from Captain DeHorne, and I believe he would change your opinion of me, for your " finding " you said "that I had been of no use to the Captain." There was one more thing I should like to mention. I was asked if I could swear to the Captain's having heard me tell him that the Obstruction Point Light was, I thought, shut out by the land, which I could not swear to. But had I been asked if I could swear that he apparently heard me, I would have taken a dozen oaths in the affirmative. I think, Sir, I have been very, very hardly dealt with ; that the finding was the most severe of any I have ever come across in my experience at sea of thirteen years. I feel it more keenly as I cannot bring myself to think that I had a bit to do with the loss of that fine ship ; that knowing that had other courses been steered, which I would have desired, that ship would still have been afloat. So may I look forward to your kindness to remove this awful stigma from me, which will last a life-time, and which I consider so undeserved.

TWO FAMOUS TEA DRINKERS.

It is not until we reach the reign of the third Georgs that we encounter the greatest tea-drinker of his own or any age. Everyone has heard of the unique performances of Dr. Johnson as a tea-drinker. Has he not written of himself as " a hardened and shameless tea-drinker, who for years has diluted his meal with only the infusion of this fascinating herb, whose kettle had hardly time to cool ; who, with tea, amused the evening, with tea solaced the midnight and with tea welcomed the morning ?" Cumberland, the dramatist, in his memoirs, gives a story illustrative of the doctor's tea-drink ing powers :—

" I remember when Sir Joshua Reynolds at my house reminded Dr. Johnson that he had drunk eleven cups of tea.' Sir,' he replied, 'I did not count your glasses of wine ; why should you number my cups of tea ?' Then, laughing in the midst of good humour, he added ; ' Sir, I should have released the lady from any further trouble if it had not been for your remark, but you have reminded me that I want one of the dozen. I must request Mrs. Cumberland to round my number !' "

It need not be thought that any feeling of consideration for his hostess ever debarred Dr. Johnson from drinking as many cups as he had a mind to. A certain Lady Macleod, after pouring out sixteen cups for him, ventured mildly to ask whether a basin would not save him trouble and be more convenient. " I wonder, madam, " he replied roughly, " why all ladies ask such questions ? It is to save yourself trouble not me. " The poor lady probably had no wish to speak ironically or to give offence. A tea-basin was then merely an equivalent for the breakfast-cup of to-day. Madame D'Arblay, in her diary, mentions sending up a " basin of tea " to her companion, Miss Plaata, who was indisposed. Mrs. Piozzi does not say how many cups she filled in one night for her learned friend, but she confesses to having sat up till four in the morninz, pouring out tea for him.

A more moderate tea-drinker, Cowper the poet still tells a correspondent he is " fit for nothing till he has had tea." His delicate nerves would never have allowed him to indulge in the same degree as the great lexicographer ; but the social aspect of the rite appealed to him even more strongly. His lines on the subject, though familiar in our lips as household words, cannot be omitted :—

Now stir the fire, and close the shutters fast,
Let fall the curtains, wheel the sofa round,
And while the bubbling and loud hissing urn
Throws up a steamy column, and the cups
That cheer, but not inebriate, wait on each,
So let us welcome peaceful evening in.

In one of his delightful letters to his old friend Joseph Hill, he recalls to his memory "the adroit waiter" of a coffee-house they had once visited together, and reminds his correspondent " how he raised the teapot to the ceiling with his right hand, while in his left the tea cup descending almost to the ground, received a limpid steam—limpid in its descent, but no sooner had is reached its destination than frothing and foaming it becomes a roaring syllabub,—*Temple Bar.*

A MONUMENT to Johannes Brahms is being promoted by a large and influential committee, in the list of whose members figure the names of many of the leading men in music, the fine arts, literature, and science of Austria, Germany, and other parts of the Continent. The Committee was formed in Vienna. Though not born in Vienna, Brahms spent half his lifetime there. There he conceived and elaborated many of his greatest works ; it is there that he lies buried between the graves of Beethoven and of Schubert. Vienna seems, therefore, to have a paramount claim to the possession of a statue of Brahms, but as the works he left are the inheritance of the world at large, it is felt that the erecting of a monument to him in Vienna cannot remain a question of purely local interest, but becomes, on the contrary, one of universal concern. So write the members of an influential Branch Committee for Great Britain, on which we find the names of Lord Herschell, Mr. A. J. Balfour, Sir Henry Irving, Sir Walter Parratt, Sir C. H. Parry, Sir Edward Poynter, Sir George Grove, Mr. Alma Tadema, Dr. Stanford, Mr. Henschel, Canon Wilberforce, and others. They appeal for contributions to be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Edward Speyer, Ridgehurst, Shenley, Herts, or to the Brahms Monument Fund, at the London and Westminster Bank, Lothbury.

BOMBAY SEASON REPORTS.

THE following Season Reports for the week ending 26th July were published in yesterday's " Government Gazette " :—

Karachi.—River at Kotri on 25th July 16 feet 5 inches against 18 feet 7 inches on same date last year. Kharif sowings and rice transplanting are in progress. Water is insufficient in the Dadu and Sehwan talukas. There was rain throughout the district, maximum 10 inches 32 cents at Sujawal. It was slightly beneficial to crops in Johi, but caused some damage to rice seedlings in Mirpur Batoro. Fodder is insufficient in Kohistan. The prices of food-grains are steady.

Shikarpur.—River has been very low for several days, being now 10 feet against 14 feet 8 inches in the same week last year. Feats are entertained of kharif cultivation being retarded. Rain has fallen in twelve talukas, the average being 37 cents. The cattle are in good condition. The supply of fodder is sufficient.

Hyderabad.—Harvesting of rabi crops continues in one taluka. Preparations for kharif crops are progressing in the whole district and the standing crops are in good state. There were breaches in Dadwah in the Moro taluka, where crops have been slightly damaged. Breaches in Mirwah, taluka Badin, caused deficiency of water in the other small canals. The average rain fall was 1 inch 3 cents in the whole district. Locusts appeared in the Moro taluka, but caused no damage. The cattle are in good condition.

Upper Sind Frontier.—The rainfall during the week measured 2 inches 32 cents at Jacobad, 37 cents at Thul and 3 inches 24 cents at Shahdadpur. There was a shower of hail in Tapa Dhing. Crops are thriving except at the tails of the Ghar Canals, Shahdadpur, and at the tails of the Begari, Desert and Mirwah owing to deficiency of water. The supply of fodder is sufficient except at Shahdadpur. The price of rice has fallen by 2 1-2 chataks par rupee.

Thar and Parkar.—There was rain throughout the district, maximum 2 inches 60 cents at Mirpur, minimum 7 cents at Nagpur. More rain is wanted in the desert talukas. Kharif operations are in progress in the desert talukas. Locusts appeared in Khipro, but caused no damage. The water-supply in the canals is improving.

Ahmedabad.—(For week ending 23rd July 1898).—The rainfall for the week was maximum 6 inches 43 cents at Gogo, minimum 94 cents at Viramgam. Sowing of bajari has been nearly completed. Transplantation of rice has been commenced in the Daskroi taluka. More rain is wanted. The supply of fodder is sufficient. The agricultural stock are in good condition. The price of bajari is 14 seers 40 to las, of jowari 17 seers 40 tolas, of what 10 seers 40 tolas and of rice, second sort, 8 seers per rupee.

Panch Mahals.—There was rain during the week, maximum 7 inches 30 cents at Halol, minimum 1 inch 54 cents at Dohad. Standing crops and the agricultural stock are in good condition. Fodder is plentiful. The prices of bajari and wheat have fallen in Halol from 16 and 7 seers to 17 and 8 seers per rupee respectively.

Kaira.—(For week ending 25th July 1898).—The rainfall for the week was maximum 6 inches 99 cents at Thasra, minimum 5 inches 64 cents at Kaira. Sowing of bajri, kodra and rice is in progress and the standing crops are in good condition. Green grass is available in all places. The agricultural stock are healthy. The average price of bajri is 16, of wheat 10 and of rice 9 seers per rupee.

Broach.—The rainfall for the week was maximum 11 inches 18 cents at A'mod, minimum 4 inches 21 cents at Ankleswar. Transplantation of rice is in progress. In some places cotton plants are likely to suffer owing to excessive rain. The condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock is good.

Surat.—The rainfall for the week was maximum 10 inches 96 cents at Bardoli, minimum 2 inches 85 cents at Olpad. Transplantation of rice is in progress. Standing crops are in good condition. The supply of fodder is sufficient and the condition of the agricultural stock is good. Prices are stationary.

Khandesh.—The rainfall for the week ending Thulia was 1 inch 19 cents, and in the district, maximum 3 inches 92 cents at Jalgaon, minimum 53 cents at Shirpur. Sowing of cotton has been completed and that of jowari and bajri is in progress. Weeding has been commenced in some places. Standing crops are in good condition. More rain is wanted in some parts. The condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock is good. The prices of wheat and bajri have risen, while those of jowari and rice have fallen.

Nasik.—The rainfall at Nasik was 2 inches 86 cents. The total fall is insufficient in the eastern part of Sinnar and Malegaon. Sowing operations are in progress. The fodder supply is sufficient and the agricultural stock are in good condition. There is no marked variation in prices.

Colaba (Bombay).—Rain daily, heavy on 22nd ; total of week 8·15 inches ; total to date 46·15, being 3·91 above average. Abnormal temperature 2° warm on 20th, 1° warm on 25th, 2° cool on 22nd and 1° cool on 23rd, 24th and 25th ; temperature normal on 21st. Vapour in air excessive on 20th, 24th and 25th ; abnormal from 21st to 23rd. Abnormal wind N. on north on 20th, 21st and 23rd, from north-east on 22nd and 24th and from east-south-east and strong on 25th and 26th. Thunder and lightning on 22nd.

Thana.—The rainfall for the week was maximum 21 inches 51 cents at Thana, minimum 7 inches 87 cents at Umbargaon. The rainfall was sufficient throughout the district. The state of young crops is good. Transplantation of crops is in progress. The condition of fodder supply and agricultural stock is good. The prices of rice, second sort, in seers per rupee are 8 3-4 at Murbad, 10 1-2 at Mahim, 10 at Dahanu, Umbargaon, Kalyan and Bassein, 9 1-2 at Thana and Mokhada, 8 1-4 at Vada, 8 at Shahapur and 7 3-4 at Bhiwndi.

Kolaba.—There was rainfall throughout the district, maximum 30 inches 24 cents at Karjat, minimum 12 inches 30 cents at Alibag. Rice seedlings are in good condition. Transplantation has been nearly completed. The price of rice at Alibag is 9 seers 37 tolas par rupee. The supply of fodder is sufficient. The agricultural stock are healthy.

Ratnagiri.—There was heavy rain every where, maximum 26 inches 93 cents at Sangameshvar, minimum 13 inches 81 cents at Ratnagiri. Transplantation has been almost completed. The supply of fodder is sufficient. The cattle are healthy except in some places of the Dapoli taluka. The prices of food-grains are stationary.

Poona.—The rainfall during the week was 2 inches 95 cents at Poona, 3 inches 89 cents at Junnar, 1 inch 25 cents at Indapur, 2 inches 94 cents at Khed, 53 cents at Sirur, 1 inch 23 cents at Purandhar, 95 cents at Bhimthadi, 4 inches 70 cents at Maval, 2 inches 44 cents at Ambegaon, 11 inches 40 cents at Mulshi and 71 cents at Dhond. In the Deshi portion of the district rain in wanted. In the western part of the district bajri, nagli, sawa and rice crops have been sown and the young plants of rice and nagli are being replanted ; the condition of all these kharif crops is fair. At present no rain is wanted in the Maval tract. In the Deshi tract only the Malrau lands have been sown with bajri and mug, as they had the little rain they require ; other lands have been ploughed, but sowing operations have been retarded for want of sufficient rain. In the Bhimthadi and Indapur talukas the kharif crops have been sown in some places, but their young shoots are withering owing to absense of rain. The condition of cattle is good and the supply of fodder is sufficient. While jowari was cheaper, bajri was dearer in the Indapur taluka. The average price of jowari is 30 lbs., of bajri 25 lbs. and of wheat 18 lbs, per rupee.

Ahmednagar.—There was rain throughout the district, maximum 2 inches 37 cents at Shevgaon, minimum 8 cents at Rahuri. More rain is wanted in the Shrigonda, Kopargaon and Sangamner talukas. Sowing of bajri continue. The supply of fodder is sufficient. The agricultural stock are healthy. The average price of the principal food-grains is 15 seers 64 tolas per rupee.

Sholapur.—The rainfall of the week was 4 inches 84 cents at Sholapur, 1 inch 94 cents at Barsi, 1 inch at Madha, 1 inch 6 cents at Karmala, 1 inch 14 cents at Pandharpur, 38 cent at Sangola and 31 cents at Maisiras. More rain is wanted except in Sholapur. Sowing of kharif crops is in progress in places where there is sufficient moisture. The supply of fodder is sufficient. The agricultural stock are in good condition. There is a slight fall in the price of jowari in Sholapur, Madha, Karmala, Pandharpur and Maisiras, and it is stationary in Barsi and Sangola. The price of Sholapur jowari is 18 seers 12 chataks per rupee.

Satara.—The rainfall at Satara measured 3 inches 17 cents, and in the district, maximum 8 inches 37 cents at Javli, minimum 38 cents at Man. More rain is wanted in Tasgaon, Khatav and Man. Sowing has been retarded in Man for want of rain. The condition of the agricultural stock is good.

Bijapur.—There was good rain in the Indi and Sindgi talukas, but the fall was very slight elsewhere maximum being 2 inches 37 cents at Indi and minimum 11 cents at Hungund. Kharif sowing has been commenced generally in the Indi and the Sindgi talukas ; elsewhere standing crops are withering and sowing has been retarded for want of sufficient rain. Heavy rain is urgently required throughout the district. Preparation of land for rabi sowing continues. The fodder supply is sufficient. The agricultural stock are in good condition. The average price of food grains is 20 seers per rupee.

Belgaum.—There was rain during the week throughout the district varying from 17 cents at Athni to 14 inches 37 cents at Chandgad. More rain is wanted in the eastern talukas ; elsewhere the crops are in good condition except near the Belgaum City, where they are damaged by locusts. The supplies of fodder and water are sufficient. There is no marked change in the prices of staple food-grains. The condition of artizans and labourers and of cattle is good.

Dharwar.—There was rain during the week varying from 2 inches 22 cents at Kalghatgi to 60 cents at Ron. There was no rain at Navalgund. More rain is necessary throughout the district for standing crops and for sowing purposes in the black soil talukas. The condition of standing kharif crops is good in the Mallad talukas, but they are withering for want of rain in Navalgund. The agricultural stock are healthy. The supply of fodder is sufficient. The price of jowari is 18 seers 8 chataks per rupee.

Kanara.—There was rain throughout the district, maximum 11 inches 5 cents at Bhatkal, minimum 2 inches 20 cents at Mundgod, where more rain is wanted, and agricultural operations are retarded in some places. Elsewhere sowing and transplanation continue. Weeding is in progress. The condition of the agricultural stock is good.

Rajkot.—The rainfall during the week was 1 inch 65 cents. Sowing operations are in progress. The average prices of wheat, bajri, jowari and gram are 12 seers 5 tolas, 12 seers 35 tolas, 14 seers 50 tolas, and 13 seers 5 tolas respectively per rupees.

Wadhwan.—The rainfall during the week was 1 inch 93 cents. Crops are in good condition. Weeding of Kharif crops is in progress. Bajri sells at 14 and jowari at 16 seers per rupee.

Baroda.—The rainfall during the week measured 5 inches 55 cents. The condition of the agricultural stock and of standing crops is fair. Sowing and ploughing operations have been completed everywhere except in the Amreli division, where they continue. Want of rain is badly felt in Okhamandal. The prices of bajri are 31 of wheat 19, of superior rice 14, and of inferior rice 20 pounds per British rupee.

THE GERMAN EMPEROR AND HIS REIGN.

FROM AN AMERICAN POINT OF VIEW.

In the July number of "The Century," Mr. Poultney Bigelow has an article on the character and career of the German Emperor, which comprises many interesting anecdotes of a personal nature. The paper, which bears the title " Ten Years of Kaiser Wilhelm, forms a sort of supplement to the writers article on this subject published in the same magazine seven years ago, which attracted at that time considerable attention. Mr. Bigelow is, on the whole, an admirer of the Emperor, but he does not hesitate to speak plainly about some acts of his reign which have provoked less favourable comment both at home and abroad, as will be seen in the following passage.

THE FAMOUS KRUGER " CABLE."

It so happened that on the day when the Emperor sent his cable to Paul Kruger I was dining in Berlin with two officials. When I asked them their opinion of the Emperor's despatch, they both clasped their hands over their heads, and rolled their eyes upwards as if to say, " Great heavens, how could he do such a thing ?"

According to the Imperial Constitution, the Prime Minister is expected to accept the responsibility for the Emperor's acts. Nothing which William II. has done since his accession has so profoundly modified his relations with foreign countries as this short cable, which sounded like an effort to interfere in matters of strictly English concern, Prince Hohenlohe, the Prime Minister, acted throughout as though nothing were expected of him except to carry the Emperor's messages to the telegraph office. We do not yet know whether he advised the Emperor to send this despatch or not. Certain it is that it did no good. Within three months from the sending of this despatch I was in South Africa, and learned soon enough from representative Boers in the Transvaal that they resented the interference of Germany quite as much as they did that of any other country. Germans themselves told me that their position in South Africa had been made more difficult since the Emperor's despatch ; that is to say, Germans had been made odious in the eyes of their English fellow-colonists. The Emperor would never have sent that despatch had he known the spirit of independence which animated the Boers, and it is a thousand pities that his Prime Minister permitted such a message to be sent without a vigorous protest.

On the other hand, Mr. Bigelow gives the German Emperor credit for the " rare and excellent quality of courage to act, as far as he feels," and adds : " It is the fate of his reign we have no example of his stooping to deception. He meets his people frankly, tells them what they should do, and wastes no precious time in political log-rolling. His people are all the time grumbling at him, and none can blame them for that, for he is perpetually endangering such liberties as were guaranteed in 1871. But beneath all the grumbling heard in the Press there is something which I think is appreciated by the Russians, admiration, and that is his soldierly devotion to what he conceives to be his duty." Commenting generally on the Emperor's policy, Mr. Bigelow says :

WILLIAM II. AND PRINCE BISMARCK.

It has been the fashion to predict Imperial disaster, from year to year, especially since the retirement of Bismarck ; yet if we choose to analyze the ten years of William II., they will, I think, compare favourably with any ten years of Bismarck since the adoption of the Imperial Constitution in 1871. The so-called Kulturkampf, or quarrel with the Papacy, was a Bismarckian creation. During his reign the Socialist vote swelled from a mere handful to over a million. He it was who saddled Germany with a million square miles of pestiferous hot country called by courtesy a colonial empire. Under him the political police developed to hitherto unprecedented power in the suppression of Danish sentiment in the north-west, Polish down east, and French in the provinces acquird by the war of 1870. Under him the relations between Russia and Germany grew to be so strained that war seemed no one time imminent ; and, indeed, Germany, under his manner of settling domestic and foreign questions, was drifting into political chaos when William II. took charge.

Special stress is laid upon the Emperor's interest in naval affairs—a new thing among his countrymen, for the old Emperor William looked upon the navy as more ornamental than useful, and Frederick William III. regarded the idea as impious, " for," said he, " Frederick the Great got on well enough without it, and what was good enough for him is good enough for me." Very different is the view of the present Emperor. When Captain Mahan published his famous book on " The influence of Sea Power we are told that the Emperor at once read it, and sent him a cordial telegram acknowledging the indebtedness of himself and his officers for the lessons that it taught. A token of this interest was what Mr. Bigelow calls " the magnificent marine carnival" organized in 1895 on the occasion of the opening of the great canal between the Baltic and the North Sea. Further indications of a like kind are furnished in the following passage :

AN IMPERIAL DESIGNER OF BATTLESHIPS.

The Emperor's knowledge of England's military capacity is complete and exact. He knows the British officer, and the character of the man under him. He knows by heart every ship in the British navy, and what guns she carries. At home his study is like the museum of a naval engineer, and he is frequently consulted in the designing of battleships. In 1895 he struck the key-note of his future naval policy by sending this motto over the wires to a boat-club near Berlin : " Navigare necesse est, vivere non est necesse " that is to say, " We can do without living, but not without a navy."

The Emperor's interest in foreign authors, however, is not confined to writers of Captain Mahan's class.

MARK TWAIN AND THE EMPEROR.

When the late William Walter Phelps was the American representative in Berlin, Mark Twain happened to be in town. Mr Phelps having informed me that he had taken no steps to let the Emperor know of this, I of course pointed out to our Minister (what I knew to be the case) that the German Emperor knew by heart the works of our great humorist, and would be most happy of an opportunity to talk with him. Mr Phelps, however, persisted in thinking that it was not his business to do anything in the matter, seeing that Mr. Clemens was not present in any official capacity. Next day I was leaving for America, but that evening I had an opportunity of telling the Emperor that Mark Twain was in town. No sooner had he heard this he clapped his hands at the good news, and called out to his wife, who was at the other side of the room, "Auguste, Auguste, here is good news. What do you think ? Mark Twain is in town." And then he eagerly inquired about him. But when he learned that Mr. Phelps had not seen fit to arrange a meeting at once, he frowned in a significant manner. Of course Mark Twain was immediately invited to meet the Emperor at luncheon, and both enjoyed the meeting.

For two other examples the " Century's " contributor can vouch from personal experience :

THE EMPEROR AS A CANDID CRITIC.

Two years ago I published my history of " The German Struggle for Liberty, " which was regarded by the German Conservative papers as an impious attack upon monarchy in general and the Emperors ancestors in particular. It was nothing of the kind, but merely the statement of certain well-established facts from an American point of view. My friends predicted that the Emperor would drop the book into his waste-paper basket, with a curse upon its author. Instead of this, he read it, according to his own statement, from beginning to end, pointed out faults, from his point of view, and obviously thought no worse of me for my lack of orthodoxy. Next year I published my " White Man's Africa," in which I had to speak of his relations to the Transvaal in a manner far from complimentary. Again he sent word to me that he had read the book with interest and pleasure. These two little episodes dispose of the persistently repeated slander that he can endure nothing but praise, and quarrels with any one who opposes him.

The article also furnishes a sketch of

THE EMPEROR'S HOME LIFE.

He and his wife have exhibited in these years the picture of a happy family in which he governs out of doors and she is supreme in the nursery. Almost alone among the great ruling families, his has been free from social scandal ; and if worse were to come to the worst, he is about the only crowned head who could turn to and earn his living, either as a ship designer, a newspaper editor, or a military man.

" He has, " says Mr. Bigelow in conclusion, " a Yankee heal on his shoulders. This I said ten years ago, and it remains true to-day."

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CAPTAINS OF COUNTY CRICKET.

J. A. DIXON, OF NOTTS.

To be the successor of such celebrities as Richard Daft, William Oscroft, and Mordecai Sherwin in the captaincy of Notts—a county with a rich cricket history—is in itself an honour of which M. J. A. Dixon is perhaps pardonably proud. The word " perhaps " is advisedly introduced, because any feeling akin to " pride," as generally understood, is quite foreign to this gentleman's nature. A famous cricketer once declared that there were no gentlemen in Notts, but at that period the world at large knew not Mr. Dixon who during the teens of years that he has been before the public has been a living example of the proverb of William of Wykeham that " Manners maketh the man." In that most charming volume " The Cricketers of My Time, " old John Nyren draws wonderful sketches of the great players of a century ago. His description of David Harris, the famous bowler of ancient cricket, is, to my thinking, peculiarly appropriate when applied to Dixon. Says Nyren :—" His features were not regularly handsome, but a remarkably kind and gentle expression amply compensated the defect of mere linear beauty. The fair qualities of his heart shone through his honest face, and I can call to mind no worthier, or, in the active sense of the word, not a more ' good man ' than David Harris. He was one of the rare species that linkman to man in bonds of fellowship by good work ; that inspire confidence and prevent the structure of society from becoming disjointed and, as it were a ' bowing wall or a tottering fence.' He was a man of so strict a principle and such high honour, that I believe his moral character was never impeached. I never heard even a suspicion breathed against his integrity, and I knew him long and intimately. . . . I never busied myself about his mode of faith or the peculiarity of his creed ; that was his own affair not mine or any other being's on earth ; all I know is that he was an honest man' and the poet has assigned the rank of such a one in creation." That was John Nyren's opinion of David Harris. I have taken the liberty of quoting this vigorous Anglo-Saxon as exactly embodying my own opinions of Mr. Dixon, the captain of Notts. Out of deference to that gentleman's feelings I forbear to say more ; but I cannot say less.

NOT A NOTTS' MAN.

It is curious that Nottinghamshire, like Yorkshire, the two shires who believe so strongly in the birth qualification, should both be led by captains not born in their confines. John Anger Dixon is a native of Grantham, being ushered into this world of cricket and commerce on May 27, 1861 ; but his parents took up their residence in Nottingham about 1874, and have remaind there ever since. The Grammar School at Grantham, where Sir Isaac Newton first learned the doctrine of averages, counts young Dixon among its pupils. He went there in 1872, and in his third year was accounted cricketer enough to be in the eleven. But when family business removed to Nottingham, Mr. Dixon was sent to the High School, which has turned out more sportsmen than senior wranglers—a virtue of most schools, for sportsmen are useful, ornamental, and serve to brighten the world. It is rarely that one can say so much of a senior wrangler. Having obtained his place in the team of the High School, the future captain of the county gained his first experience of such duties by leading the eleven. Even in these days he was a promising bat, a nice bowler, and a sure field. But in 1876 he was transferred to Chigwell Grammar School in Essex, where he received a little professional coaching from William Shaw, a brother of the famous Alfred Shaw. Still, on the whole, it may be said that Dixon developed largely on his own lines at Chigwell during 1877 and 1878. In the latter year he captained both the school prints for the highest batting and the lowest bowling averages.

HIS DEBUT FOR NOTTS.

On becoming associated with the large wholesale house in which the Dixons are the principal partners, he devoted his spare time to cricket and football. As a member of the Notts Forest Amateurs and the Notts Amateurs, who both play on Trent Bride, he soon began to make a great reputation in local cricket. His scores were very large, and his bowling so effective that he was asked to play for the county. As this was in 1882, when Notts had a remarkably strong professional eleven, no greater compliment could have been paid to any young man. He made his debut for Notts against Middlesex at Trent Bridge on August 17,18, and 19, 1882, but his line in the score reads :—" Dixon c Webbe b Bowley 0, Walker b Webbe 0." A man who " bags a brace" in his first two innings cannot sometimes never has another opportunity. But Dixon played fifteen innings for Notts in 1882, 1883, 1884, and 1885—and his aggregate reached only 100. His highest innings was 22, against Surrey at the Oval in 1883. This was not encouraging to the committee or to Dixon, but the former nursed hope and patience, and the latter pined for confidence. In 1884 and 1885 Mr. Dixon secured 347 runs in 42 innings, and twice in the years indicated he took over 100 wickets in a season against good teams. The executive could see that there was cricket in the young amateur, but the ordeal of county matches overawed him. Too frequently when he walked to the wicket he was a mere bundle of nerves, and a ready prey for the bowler. He used to play for the county in August, but in 1886, and the partner of Harry Cursham on the left wing, was very brilliant. In 1885 he was awarded his international cap, but the strain of football and cricket was too much for him. He became overtrained, and when he was compelled to go for a voyage to Australia in November, 1885, people shook their heads solemnly about " Johnny Dixon." He left his bats with a cricket outfitter, and desired him to get them in nice condition for the spring. The manager of that emporium had an idea that those trusty willow blades would not be required again. Fortunately he was wrong, and, to the joy of all Nottingham, Dixon returned in May, 1886, the trip having thoroughly restored him to health.

HIS COUNTY SUCCESSES.

In June, 1887, Dixon re-appeared in the county eleven at Lord's against the M. C. C. His last trial had been in the same match in 1885, when he scored 13 and 0. On this latter occasion he compiled 10 and 89—his first real success for Notts. A week later he played against Lancashire at Trent Bridge, when he made 21, but, what is more, captured four wickets for 24, those of John Briggs, Walter Robinson, and George Yates, in the second innings, being taken with successive deliveries. The team had the ball mounted in silver, and presented to Mr. Dixon. Then came the match in that most trying match—the Surrey encounter at the Oval, in August—he scored 30 and 46—the highest aggregate on the side—we are at once convinced that the subject of this sketch came back from Australia a different man. Possibly he threw some of his nerves overboard in the Bay of Biscay. With Shrewsbury away in Australia during 1888, Mr. Dixon showed fine form, especially against the sixth Australian team, assisted the Gentlemen (for the first time) against the Players at Lord's, and headed the Notts' batting averages for all matches with 2731. What was the result ? In 1889 he was appointed the captain of Notts—and he can pose as the first amateur ever accorded such a distinction. Moreover, at the end of the season he rejoiced at a successful campaign, for Notts were bracketed equal first with Lancashire and Surrey. Individually, he did not suffered from the responsibilities of his position, and this is no fanciful theory, for Shrewsbury once refused the honour of being captain, because he thought it would spoil his batting. However, in 1890 Mr. Dixon scored 514 runs for Notts—and had the pleasure of hitting up his first hundred for the county. Once again he succeeded at the expense of Lancashire. It was in Fred Wild's benefit, which opened on June 23 1890, at Trent Bridge. Shrewsbury and Dixon took up the defence against Briggs and Mold, and at 171 the first wicked fell, Dixon then being out for a chanceless 109, made in three hours.

GREAT AMONG GIANTS.

Season after season Mr. Dixon added to his reputation, especially by his 73 and 62 at Whitsuntide against Surrey in 1891, and by his judicious captaincy in the following year. Surrey were the champions in 1892, but Notts were the runners up. Mr. Dixon can show a handsome gold medal bearing the inscription " Presented to Mr. J. A.Dixon from Public Subscription Fund in honour of the great victory of Notts vs. Surrey, August, 1892 ; won by four wickets." In successive matches at Trent Bridge we find Dixon registering 139 against Kent, 103 against Gloucestershire, and 133 against Middlesex. His runs were splendidly made, for he gave but one chance to Kent and one to Gloucestershire, although in the Middlesex match he was twice missed. That season William Gunn headed the county averages with 47, Shrewsbury being second with 37 and Mr. Dixon third with with 35. It was reserved for 1897 to show us the Notts captain at his best, as in 23 innings for his county he amassed 1,030, and with an average of 44 was second to Gunn with 49, while Shrewsbury ranked third with 38. Truly Dixon has been great among the giants. In the season's averages Mr. Dixon was seventh with 1,100 for 25 completed efforts. It was last May that the subject of this sketch made his record score, the highest ever compiled at Trent Bridge for the county, namely, 268 not out against Sussex. This was a magnificent display of clean, resolute hitting. On the Monday night he scored three, on the Tuesday added 195, and on the Wednesday rapidly completed his 200. On the whole he got runs at the rate of 50 an hour, but his second 50 was the result of only 30 minutes batting. Moreover, save for a chance to mid-off, when 253, he never made a serious mistake. When making runs, there are few more delightful batsmen to watch. Dixon may not possess the grace of Gunn or the science of Shrewsbury, but his method is so free and his style so attractive, that it is a treat to watch him. While never reckless, he does not carry caution to excess—and it is in this connection worth noting, that in his 268 not out, he hit one 5, twenty-eight 4s, twenty-one 3s, and thirteen 2s. His first hundred on this memorable occasion only contained fourteen singles. When we add to such sterling batting qualities that he bowls round arm rather above medium pace, with a high delivery and a break from the off, and that he is a brilliant and hard working fielder, it will be seen that he is worthy of his exalted position. Mr. Dixon stands 5ft. 11 1-2 in. in his socks, and weighs 13st. He puts all his inches, all his weight, and all his heart into Notts cricket.

A POPULAR CAPTAIN.

Mr. Dixon is jealous of the honour of Notts, and he would have been very gratified had the county beaten Yorkshire at Leeds on June 29th. The Tykes escaped from a tight place, but a win would have done Notts a power of good. However, Dixon and his comrades played manfully, and showed that the resources of Notts cricket are not exhausted yet. Mr. Dixon has been known to write to the newspapers in defence of his county, and he is hopeful that some day the Middland shire will once again be the champions. They are having their period of trial now, the same as Surrey and Yorkshire have passed through. Owing to the energy of Mr. Henry Turner, the club was never in a better position—but, above all, the committee are keenly alive to discovering and keeping promising cricketers, and giving them opportunity to develop. Every lad of promise can be sure of an encouraging word from the captain of the county, who has no lofty mannerisms, is even in temperament, and a calm and judicious leader and adviser. He is modesty itself, and, being both a strict teetotaler and a non smoker, he sets the best possible example to the young cricketer. But he is not narrow-minded, and after making his 238 not out he took the chair at a smoking concert of the Notts Football Club. He was cheered to the echo, and in reply merely said that he could hardly believe he had made so many runs—it was like a beautiful dream. Sussex felt that it was a reality.

DREYFUS AND THE FRENCH CHAMBER.

DECLARATION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

" GUILT ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN."

ALL that was said in the Chamber on July 7 on the Dreyfus question still leaves a feeling of painful doubt. The interpellation that brought M. Cavaignac into the tribune was made by M. Castelin, an ex-Boulangist. There was a good deal of truth in his speech. He spoke of the country not knowing what to think. Since individuals setting themselves above the law were not prosecuted, the authors of calumnies and libels against the army felt they had impunity. Documents had been surreptitiously taken from the dossiers at the War Office. No attempt was made to detect those who attempted to corrupt officers there in 1895. Why was that ? Why was M. Zola allowed to remain in the Legion of Honour ? How could soldiers believe in officers who were daily dragged through the mire ? He ended by asking what was the real truth about Captain Lebrun-Renault's report.

This brought the War Minister to the tribune.

BREATHLESS ATTENTION REIGNED.

He has a weak voice, which at first was not audible in all parts of the House. Of course, he professed a wish to put an end to the agitation. The Government might have fallen back on the " chose jugee " and its determination to make it respected, but it thought it a duty to reveal to the Chamber and the country all the truth that could be reveal

PURELY PERSONAL.

THE Black Flags are again on the march in Southern China, and British gunboats have, it is said, been asked for. It will be remembered that the French had to deal with these hordes. The leader of the band at that time was one Liu Jung-fu, and a challenge which he sent to the French commander read thus:—You send out teachers of religion to undermine and ruin the people. You say you wish for international commerce, but you merely wish to swallow up the country. There are no bounds to your cruelty, and there is no name for your wickedness. And so on. If it be true that the Black Flag chief is in Canton as reported, and that his men are advancing on Wu-Chau, which is situated on the West River, there may be trouble.

The literary associations of Haslemere are many, and form the subject of an interesting article in the July "Windsor." At "Brookland," for instance, George Eliot lived. She "took possession in 1871, and here wrote 'Middlemarch.' The wild, romantic scenery of hills and valleys, clad with gorse and heather, simply inspired her, and made her love the little world around Shottermill. Much of her writing was done in the morning, seated near the window opening on to the verandah. Sometimes, when the weather appeared balmy, she ventured to write in the garden."

George Eliot's nervousness when out for a drive was one phase of her character. The story is told that her driver at Haslemere once remarked, "Wi hat her being such a mighty clever body, she were very nervous in a carriage—always to wanted to go on a smooth road, and seemed dreadful feared of being thrown out." At the present time there are residents in the neighbourhood who still remember her peculiarities. She varied her retirement by occasionally calling upon, and receiving visits from, Tennyson, with whom she delighted to carry on weighty arguments. Coming again into Surrey in 1873, she stayed at the Heights, Witley, but a few miles distant, where "Daniel Deronda" was completed.

The British Consul at Warsaw in his latest report to the Foreign Office says: I believe that several British commercial travellers passed through Warsaw during last year, but only four of them called at Consulate. Why do not British firms tell their representatives to call at the Consulate in each town they visit to get and verify information as is done by foreign travellers? Of the travellers who did call here one spoke the language of the country, but they none of them, to the best of my recollection, could quote a price at Warsaw for the goods they were traveling in, and those of them who had or wished to have a local agent made it a "sine qua non" that he should be able to correspond in English, which considerably limited their choice. There are in Warsaw, the Consul adds, a fair number of German clerks, who are studying the language and the local way of doing business, who will render valuable assistance when they return to their Fatherland. Cannot young Englishmen, he asks, be found to study the market in the same way? Mr. Murray goes on to tell that a large firm in England having a branch in Warsaw can only correspond with their manager there through one clerk in German, and cannot understand either Russian or Polish, in which the business of their branch there is carried on. "The marvel is," he says, "not that the business done by British firms abroad is diminishing, but that they should still do any business at all."

A splendid monument to Prince Frederick Charles of Prussia (the Red Prince) has been unveiled at Metz in presence of his only son, Prince Frederick Leopold, who represented his brother-in-law, the Emperor William. The statue of bronze, which is of immense size, stands on an octagonal pedestal twenty-five feet high. A splendid wreath was sent by the Veterans' Club of the Prince's favourite regiment, the Red Ziethen Hussars, of which his son-in-law the Duke of Connaught is now honorary colonel. Prince Frederick Charles died in June, 1885, leaving to his son the whole of his estates and the bulk of his immense fortune.

Madame Bernhardt visited Deptford the day after the Prince of Wales had been there, and seemingly took for granted that the decorations were in her honour. This pleased the actress. One piece of bunting, however, had been put there solely on her account. It was that of a shopkeeper who hung over the street a flag, with the legend, "Welcome, thrice welcome, Queen of my Art!" The shopkeeper used to be on the stage, and the pleasantry was his very own.

Out of a large number of candidates for the office of Principal of St. David's College, Lampeter, the council have selected the Rev. Llewellyn Bebb, Educated at Winchester and New College, the Mr. Bebb, who is young and broad in his sympathies, has carried off everything before him at Oxford, and Lampeter gains a brilliant scholar and splendid organiser as well as great Sclavonic and Russian linguist, who, it is said, will soon master the intricacies of the welsh tongue.

A celebration in France commemorative of Chateaubriand has revived the memory of that eminent Frenchman, and it seems to have come none too soon for his fame, for a young French gentleman was found to know the name only in connexion with "filsi Chateaubriand." Will the name of Willington 120 years hence be known to young England only in connexion with a boot, and that of Gladstone with a bag? Already a brougham is, we fear, in most minds far more associated with a carriage than with the would-be omniscient Lord Chancellor from whom the name is derived.

The new quarterly number of the old Catholic "Revue Internationale de Theologie" is full of Mr. Gladstone. Madame Olga Novikoff contributes an admiring article in French upon "Le Grand Gladstone." It is no news to English readers that this zealous Russian lady regarded Mr. Gladstone as the flower of Englishmen. The editor, Professor Michaud, of the University of Berne, says that Mr. Gladstone was not only one of the very first subscribers to the Revue, but that in 1894 he offered spontaneously to contribute towards covering the expenses of the periodical, which, from its scholarly character and the smallness of its constituency, has to be carried on for the sake of truth and not of profits.

One of the Law Lords (says the "Church Gazette") has generally the misfortune of having his judgments reversed by the superior court. But one afternoon his little daughter came rushing in in a most excited frame of mind. "Papa," she said, "may we have cake for tea? One of your judgments has been upheld by the Court of Appeal."

At a recent meeting in connexion with Dr. Stephenson's Children's Homes, Bishop Thoburn, of the American Methodist Mission in India, related an episode in his own career which reminds one of some of the incidents in the life of the late George Muller. At one time he felt it his duty to give up his salary as a missionary; but he hesitated a long while, as it seemed likely that he might have to live on twenty shillings a month, or even less. At last he ventured: and the amazing thing was that, when he ceased to draw his salary as a missionary, he began to give money to other people. Before he had been living on this new basis three weeks, a rich man sent him a cheque for 500 rupees, which he gave away at once. In two years he found himself clothing 200 poor families.

Sir Herbert Maxwell, Bart., has been giving "Cassell's" Saturday journal some of his angling experiences. He has never yet touched a 30lb salmon though he has come very near it. The longest time he ever took to kill a salmon was two and a half hours: He had taken forty yards of line when my cigar, which I was holding in my hand, burnt through the reel line, and he got free. I immediately jumped into the water, and seizing the line, handed it to the gillie, who ran it up the rod and knotted it above the top ring. Of course, this left me very little power over the fish, but I eventually brought him up, and the present Duke of Northumberland landed him for me. "An experienced angler will, however, as a rule," he added, "land a fish in as many minutes as it weighs pounds."

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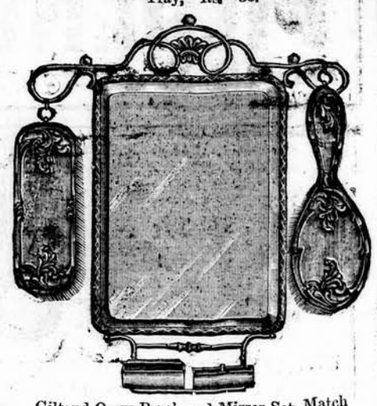

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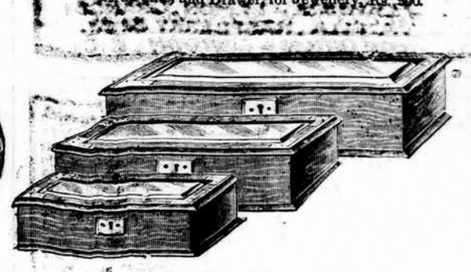

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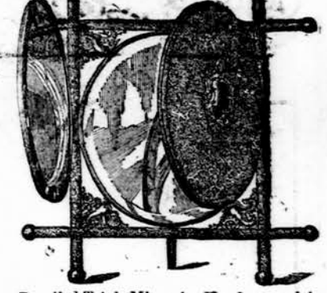

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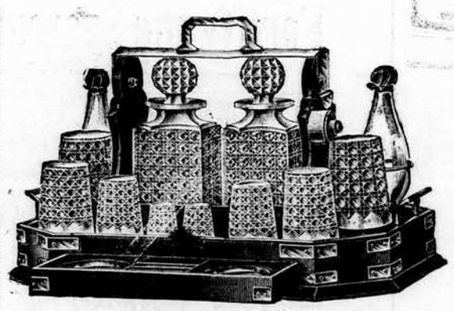

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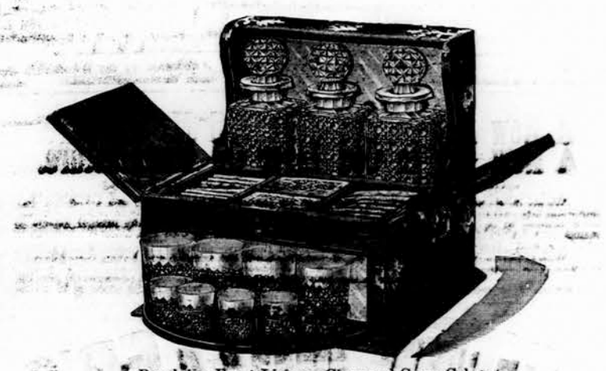

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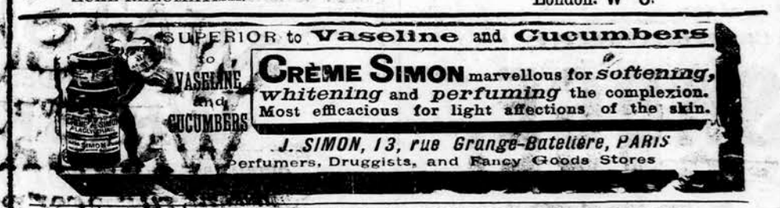
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